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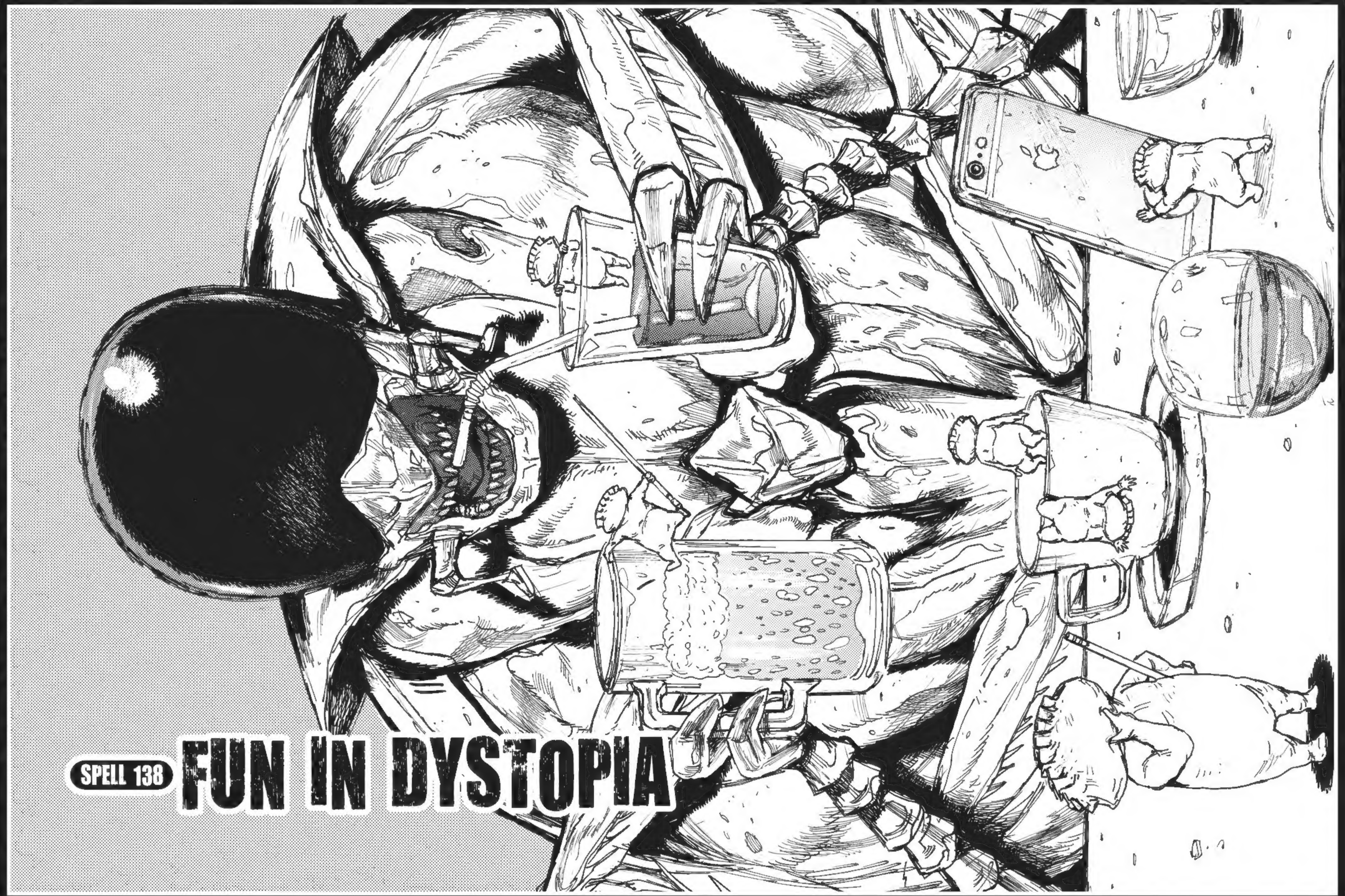
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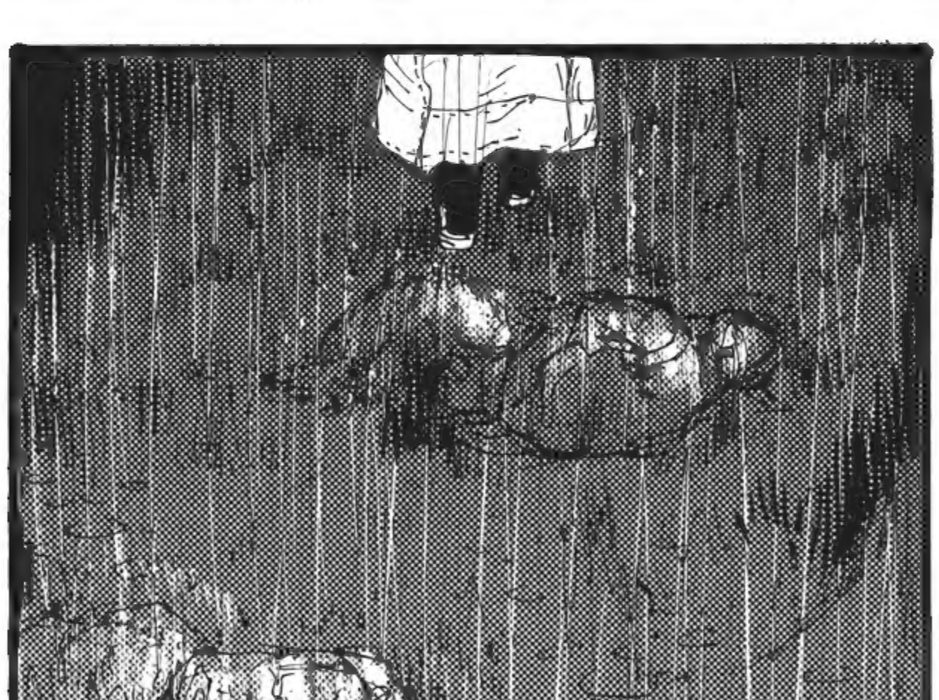
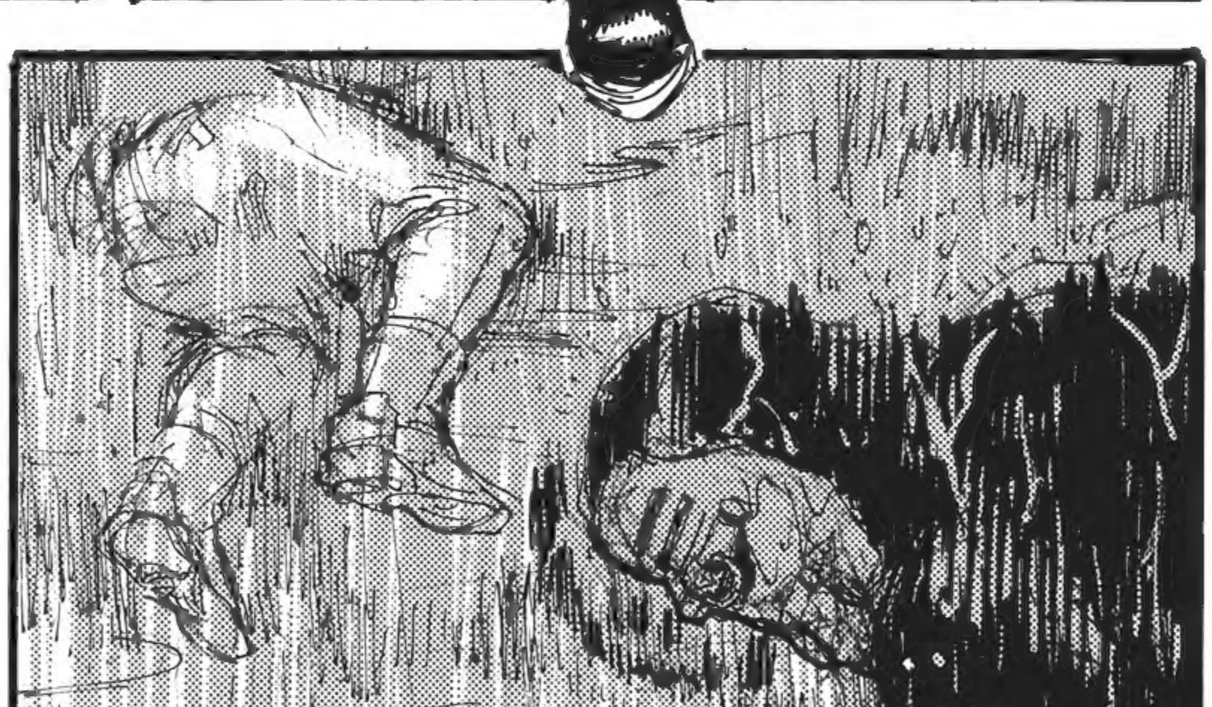
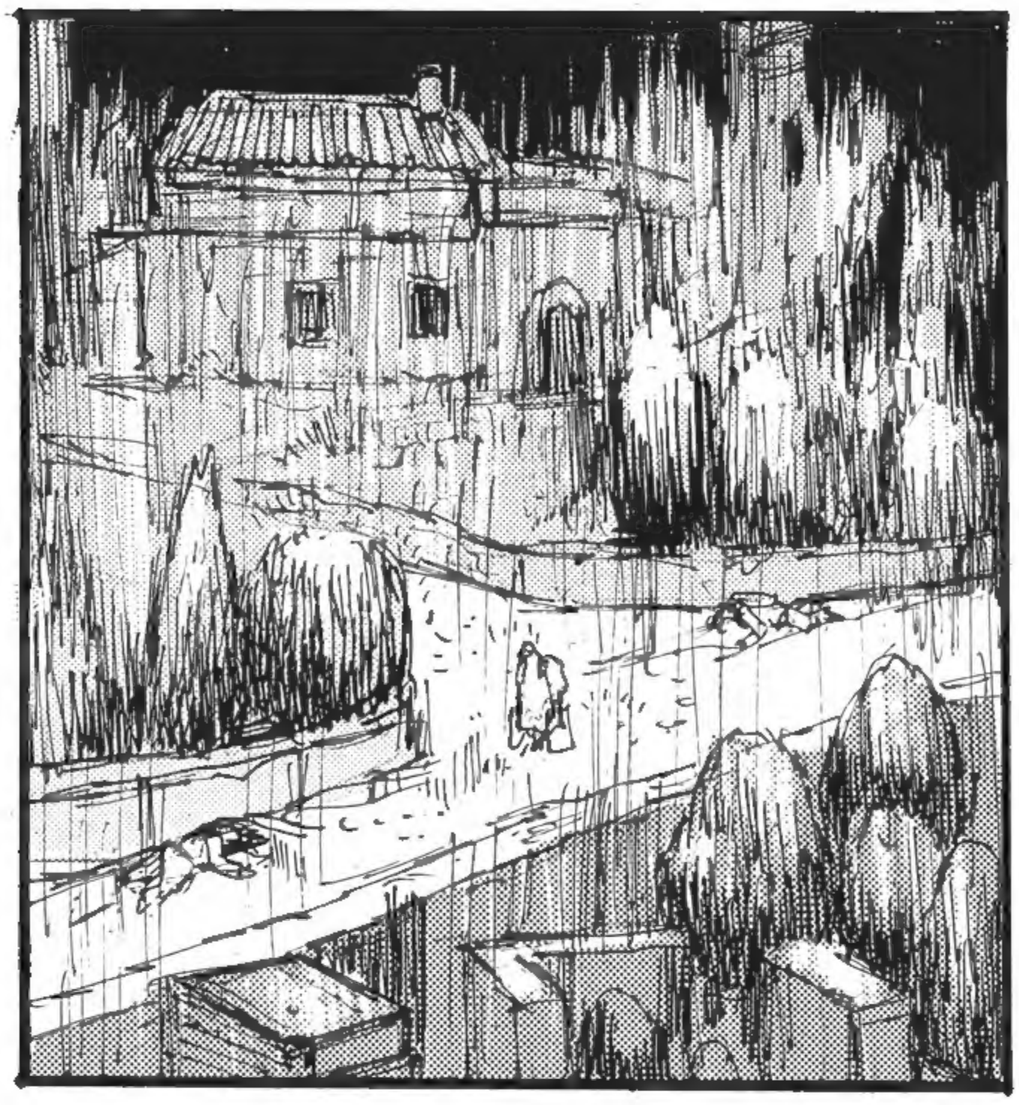
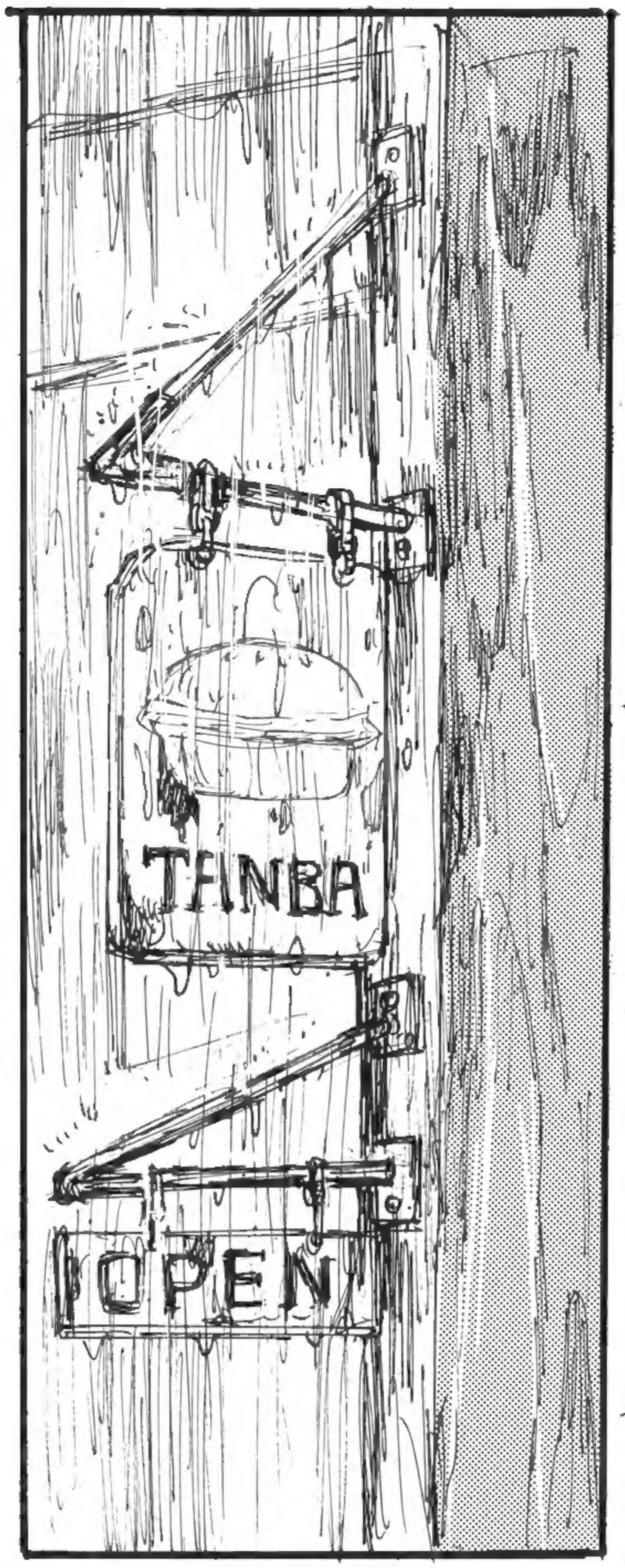




Cheap SUPERMARKET
24h

PLIP
PLIP
FSHHH




TANBA
OPEN

TANBA

SHEF

SLAM

PHEW.

PLISH
PLASH
PLISH
PLISH
PLASH
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PLASH
PLISH
PLASH
PLISH
PLISH
PLASH

RICE

RICE
OIL

SHEK SHEK SHEK

RICE

PLISH

PLASH

PLASH

KREEE

PLASH

PLISH

TWP
TWP

WHP

STOP, KIR-ION!

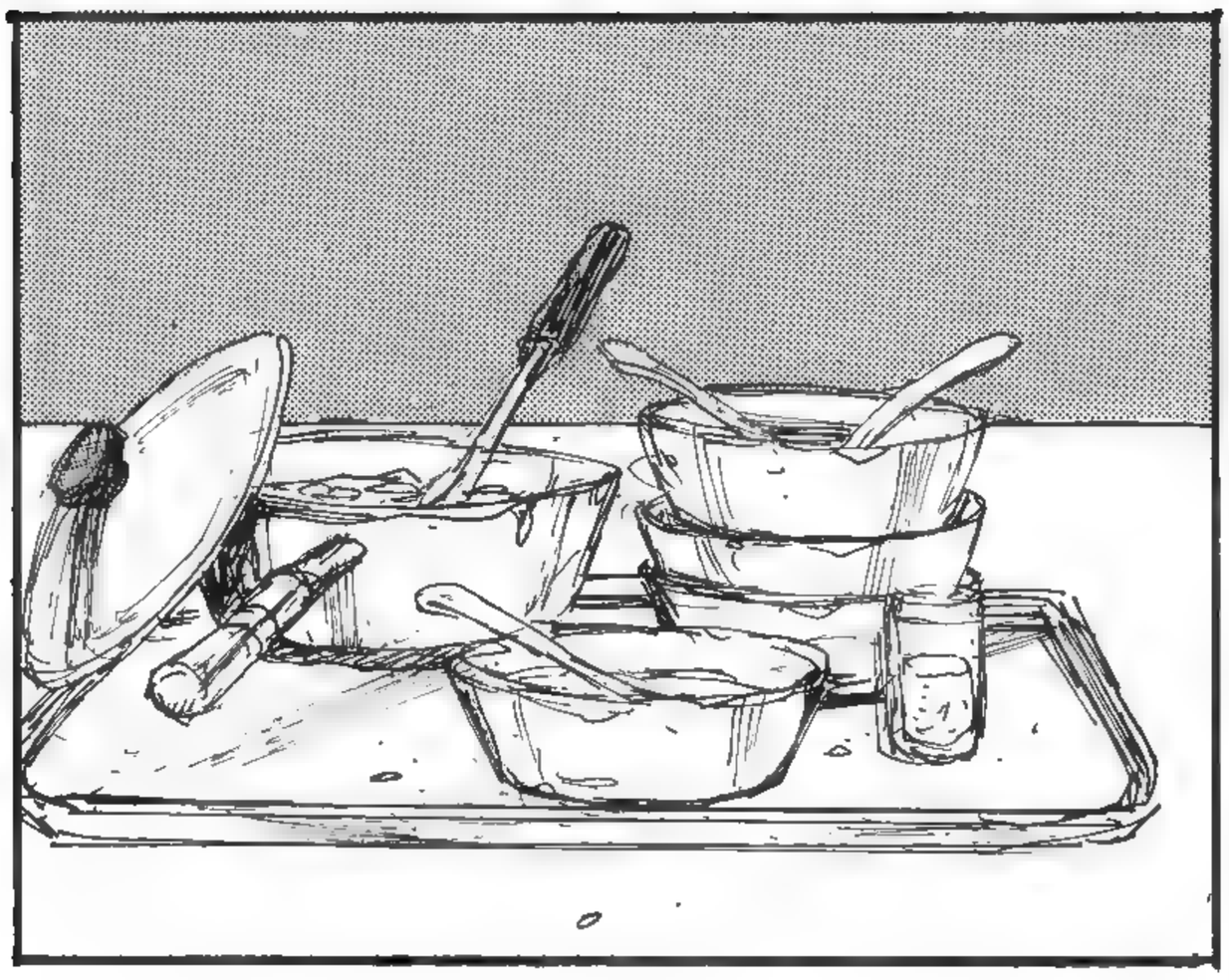
OW! OUCH!

I'LL GO BACK TO MY BED! STOP IT!

SMEK
SMEK
SMEK

SEE ANY-BODY ALIVE?
HOW'S IT OUT-SIDE?

WITH-OUT YOUR FOOD MIS-SIONS, WE'D HAVE DIED LONG AGO.
THIS IS PRETTY GOOD, KIRION.



DAMN THIS RAIN.

THIS HEAD-ACHE JUST WON'T QUIT...

SORRY, I DON'T HAVE MUCH OF AN APPETITE.

THIS IS HOLE RAIN. NO QUESTION ABOUT IT.

PIE

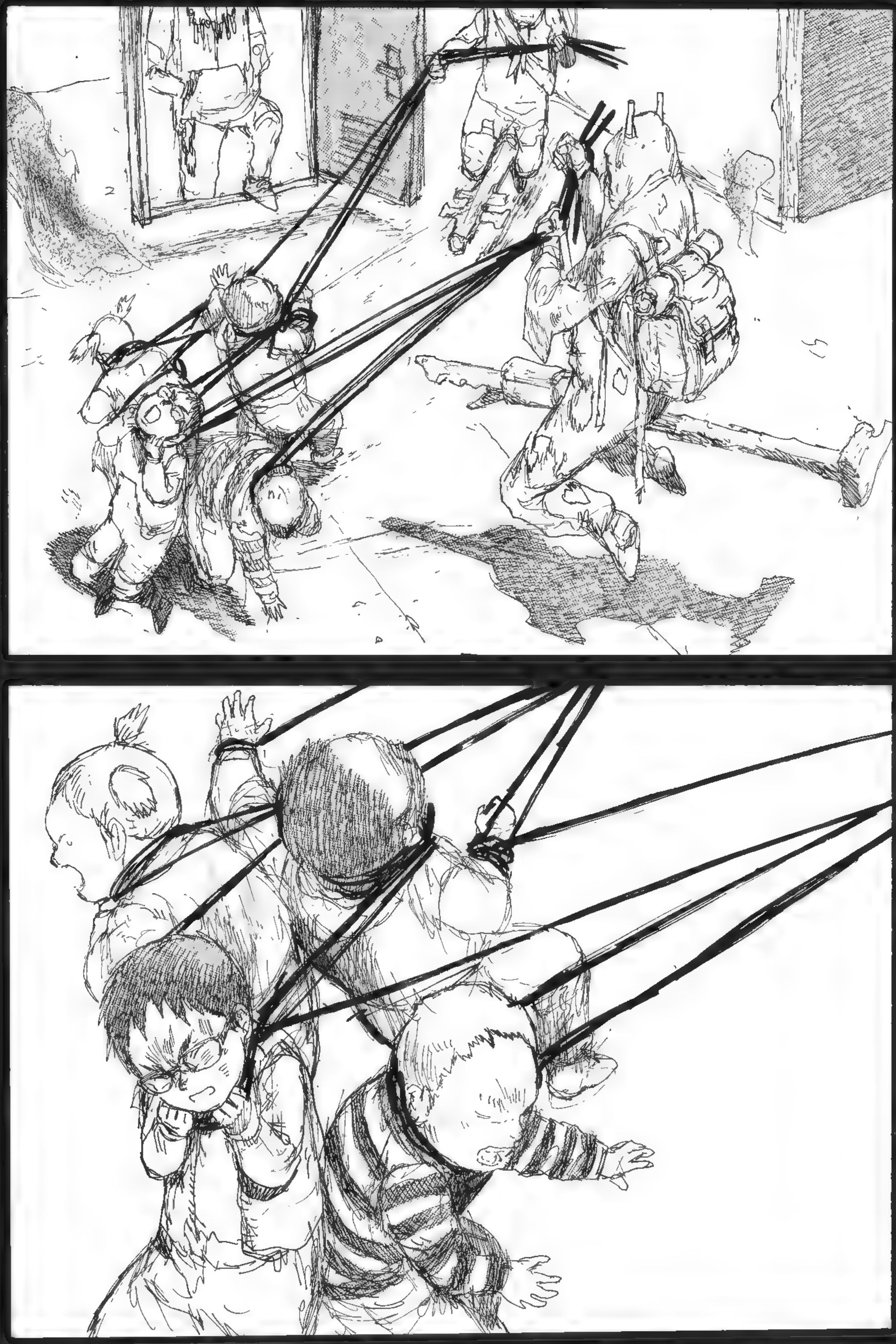
ARE YOU SURE?

I'VE NEVER BEEN THERE...

...

YEAH. WENT THERE ONCE AS A KID FOR MAGIC PRACTICE.

IT'S A DIRTY, NASTY-ASS PLACE.
IT STINKS. IT'S DARK.



PRACTICE TARGETS ALL KINDS HUMANS

ADULT

CHILD

CHILD

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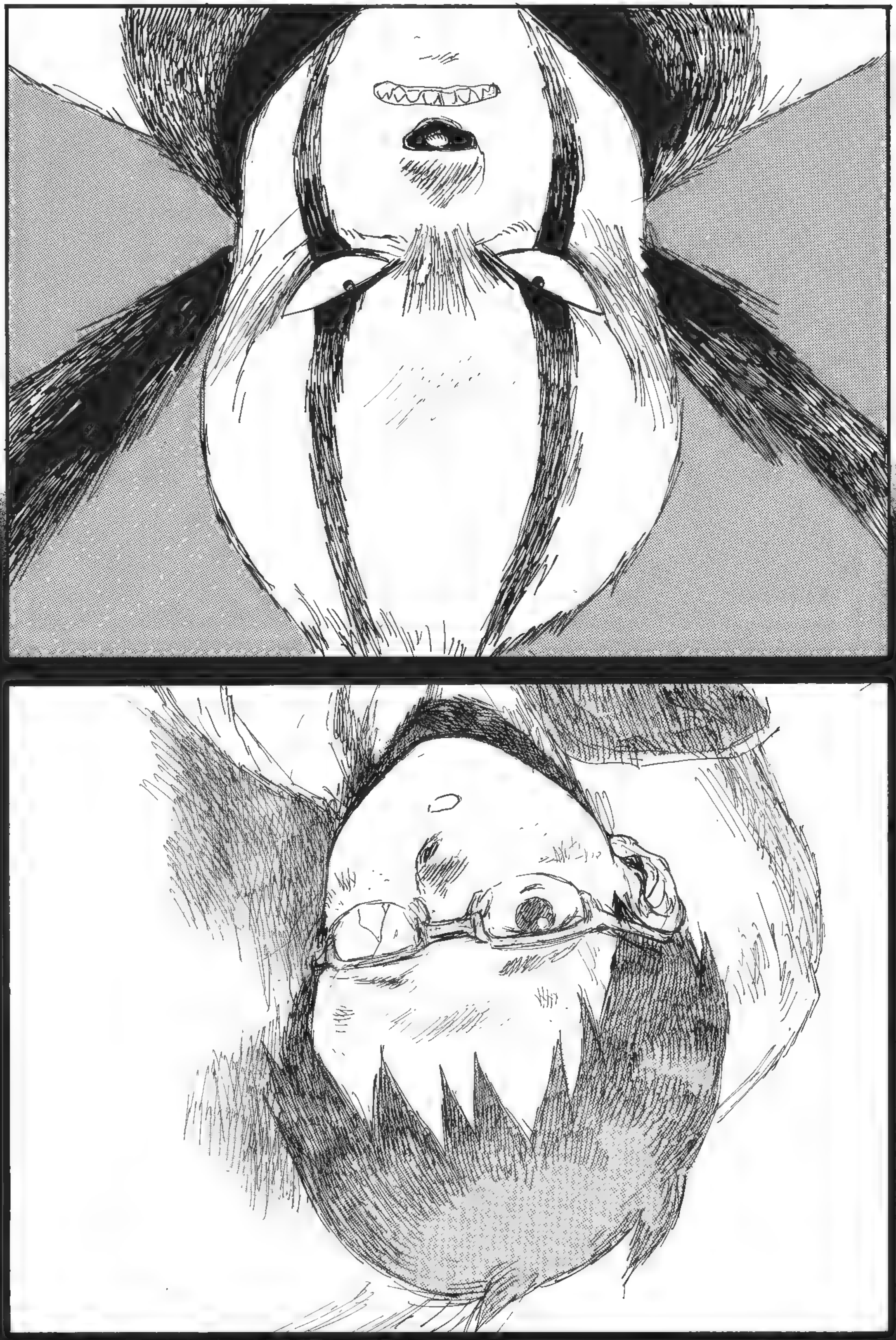
CHILD

TANBAU



WHAT'S MAKING IT RAIN?

WHAT THE HELL HAPPENED WITH THE SKY?

SO HOW DID YOUR PRACTICE GO IN THE HOLE, PRESIDENT TANBA?

I ENDED UP NOT DOIN' IT.

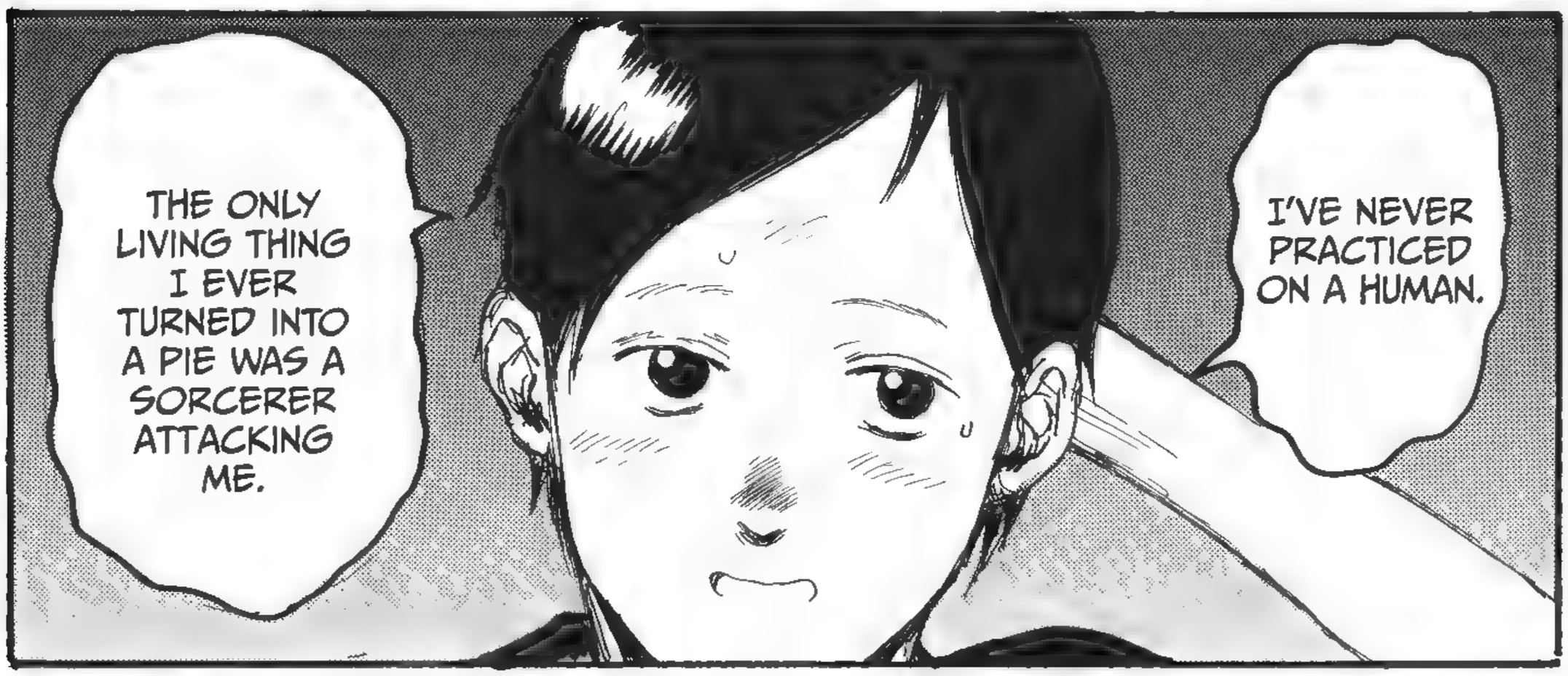
Y'KNOW, SOR-CERERS REALLY ARE PATHETIC.

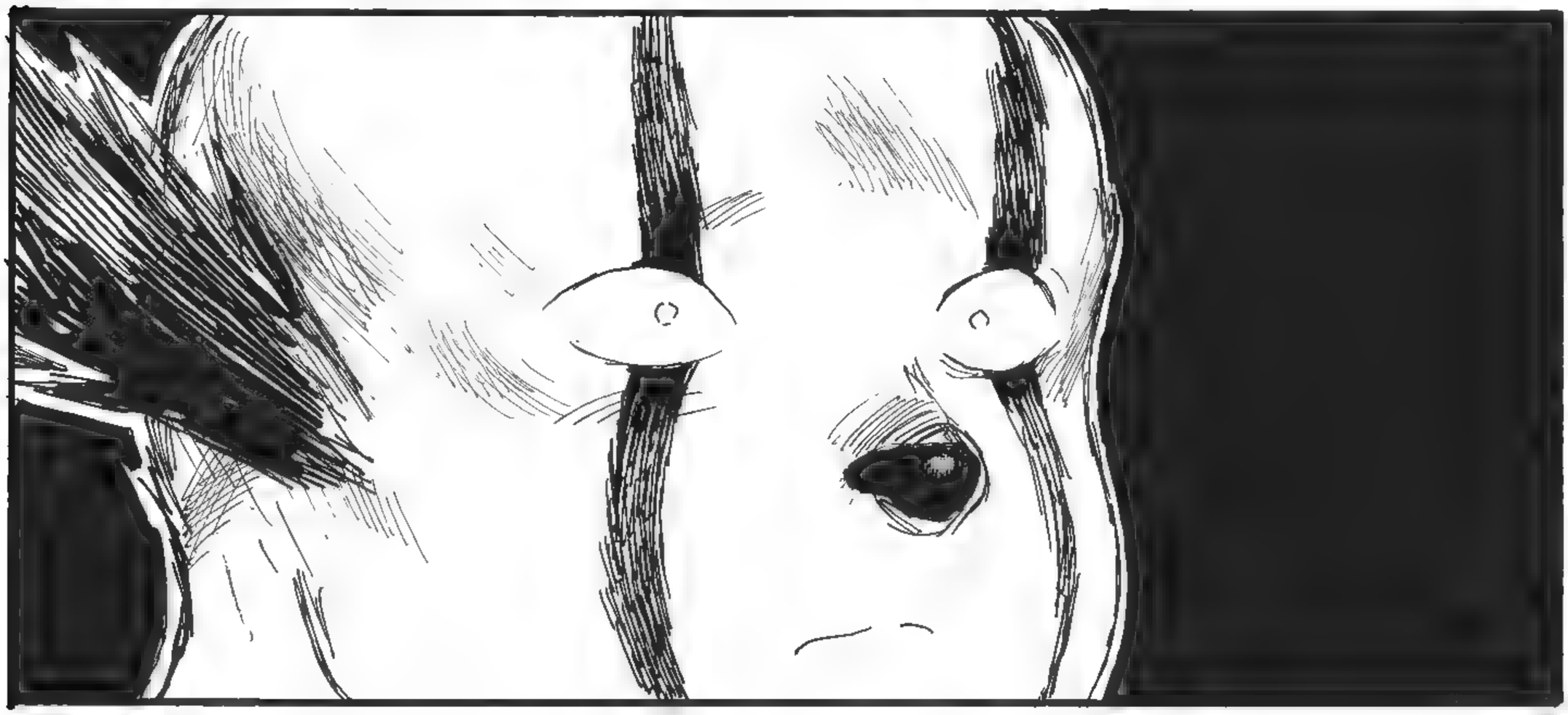
WE AIN'T SO DIFFER-ENT FROM PEOPLE AT ALL.

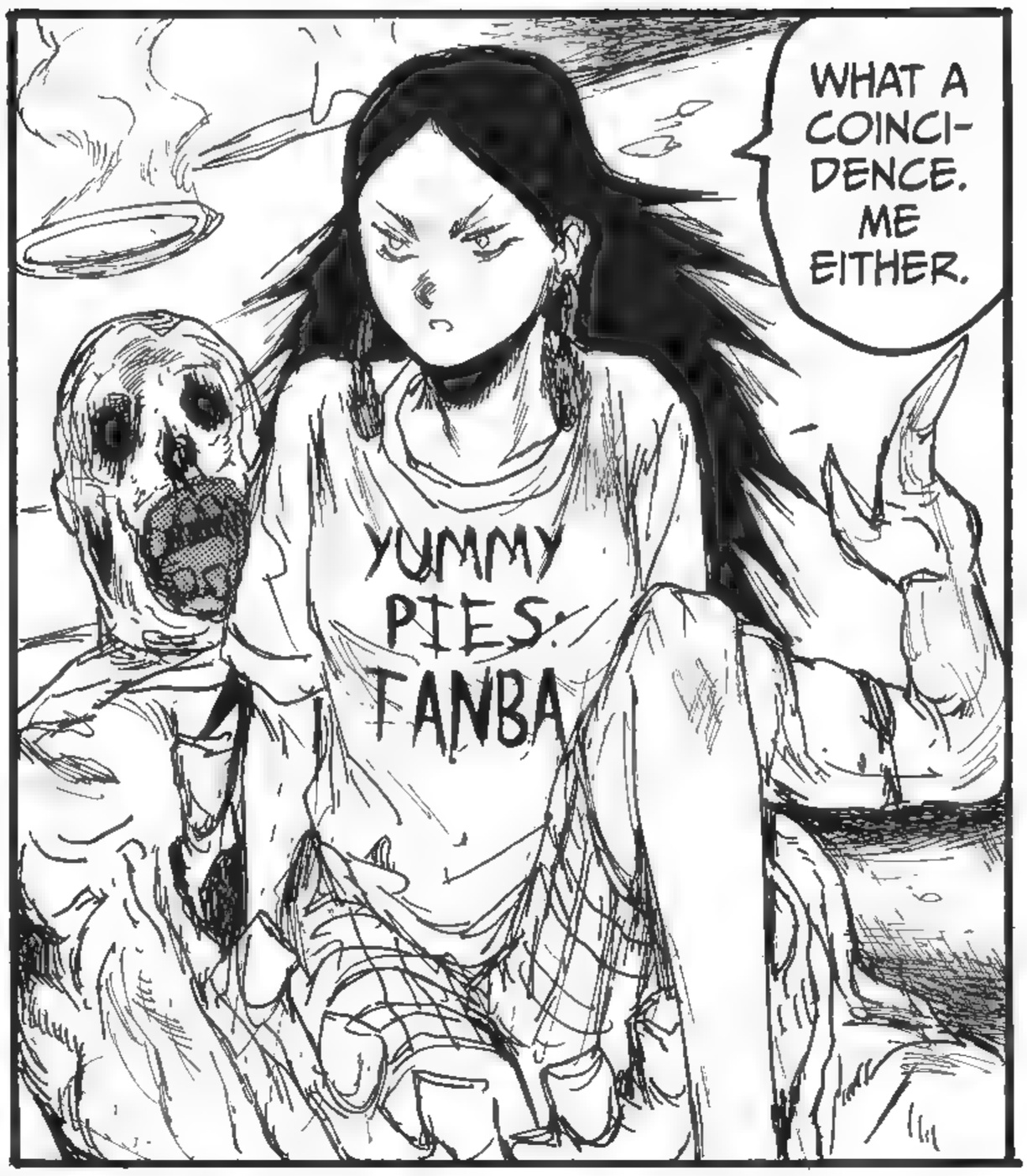
I DIDN'T FEEL LIKE PRACTICIN' ON THE POOR BASTARDS.

IT'S LIKE...

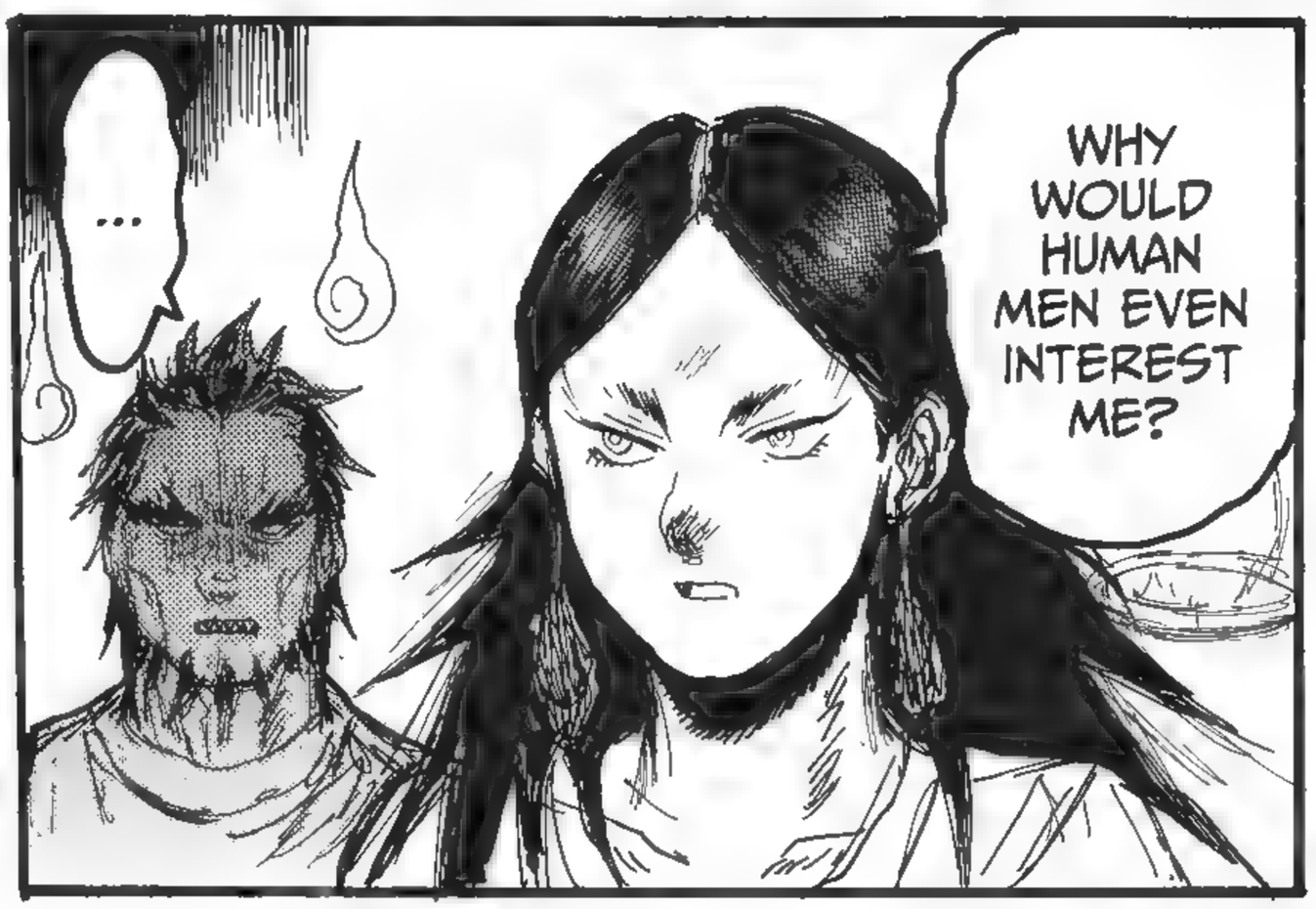
YOU TOO?!
ME EITHER!


THE ONLY LIVING THING I EVER TURNED INTO A PIE WAS A SORCERER ATTACKING ME.
I'VE NEVER PRACTICED ON A HUMAN.




WHAT A COINCI-DENCE. ME EITHER.
YUMMY PIES. TANBA

WHY?!
I FIND THAT REALLY HARD TO BELIEVE.


...
WHY WOULD HUMAN MEN EVEN INTEREST ME?

THAT'S MOLD, DAMN IT!

DAMN THE SOUND OF THE RAIN, IT KEEPS ME AWAKE!

ANYWAY... IS IT JUST ME OR IS THIS ROOM GETTING DARKER?

FIVE

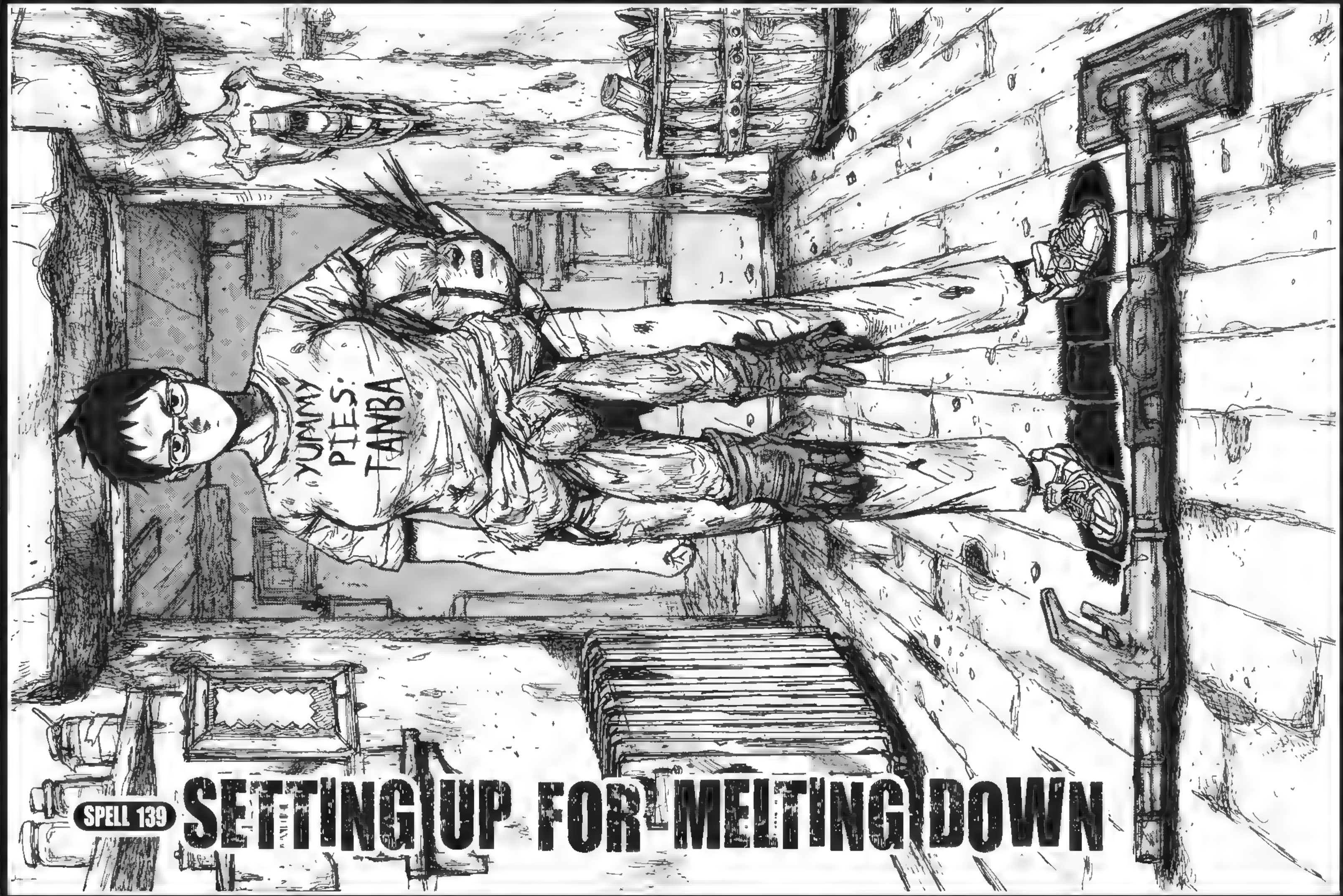
I...

I'M GONNA GO SEE WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE SKY.

IT FINALLY SPEAKS.

PLOP

YOU ARE, KIR-ION?



SPELL 139

SETTING UP FOR MELTING DOWN

The Hole

...AND IT'S ALL MUGGY AND WEIRD.

I KNEW IT. THE CENTRAL DEPARTMENT STORE'S GONE...

GLTBGLTB

HOSPITAL

THE STORE'S GONE. OPEN UP, DAMMIT.

CLOSED for Central Department Store Sale Day

CLOSED for Central Department Store Sale Day

CLITRCLITR

HOSPITAL

WHAT?!

Hole Central Hospital, Magic Practice Victims Ward

LIKE I SAID, YOUR PALS PROBABLY DIED WHEN THE DEPARTMENT STORE SANK.

SHOW ME!

NO FUCKIN' WAY!

THE TOP GUYS ARE ALL UN-FUCKING-KILLABLE!

CLTRCLTR

HOSPITAL

BAGBAG

LOOKS LIKE THEY STARTED BUILDING A FENCE.

FRIENDS OF KASU-KABE.

WHO ARE THEY?

NO WAY.

THEY'RE IN *HERE*?

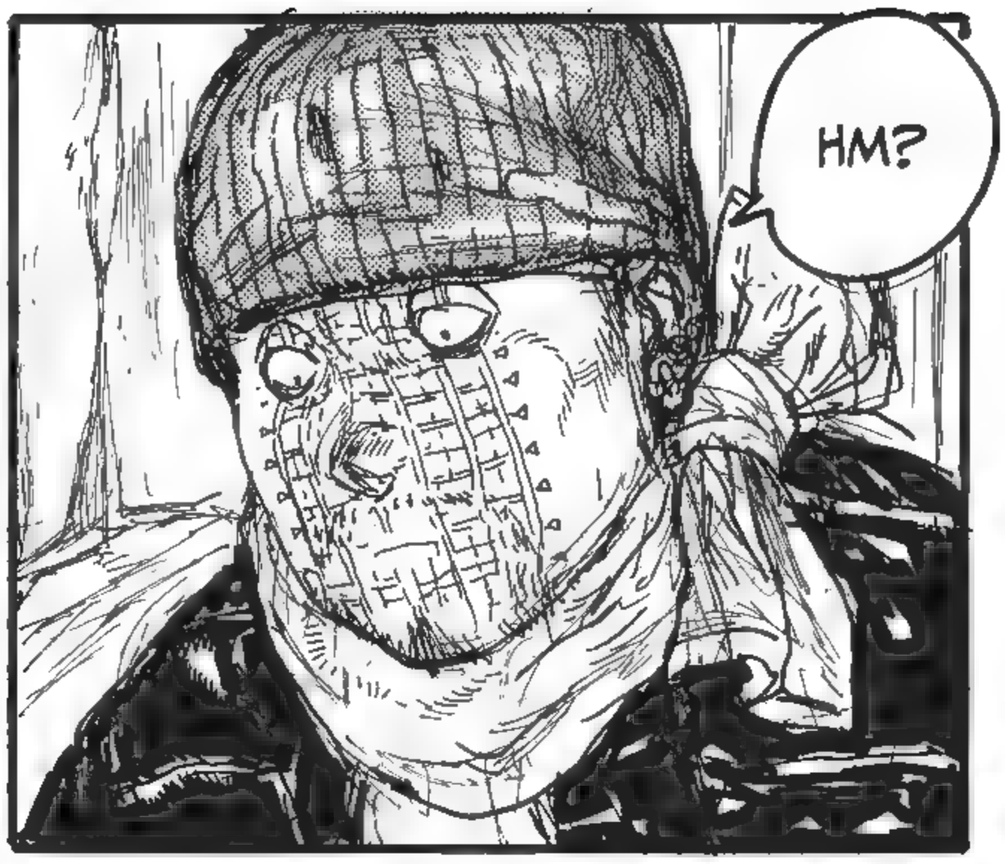
MAYBE THAT'S THE ANSWER TO MY PROB-LEMS.

ON THE OTHER HAND ...

NO WAY! YOU'LL DIE!

LET'S GO IN AND SEE!

THEY'RE STILL ALIVE.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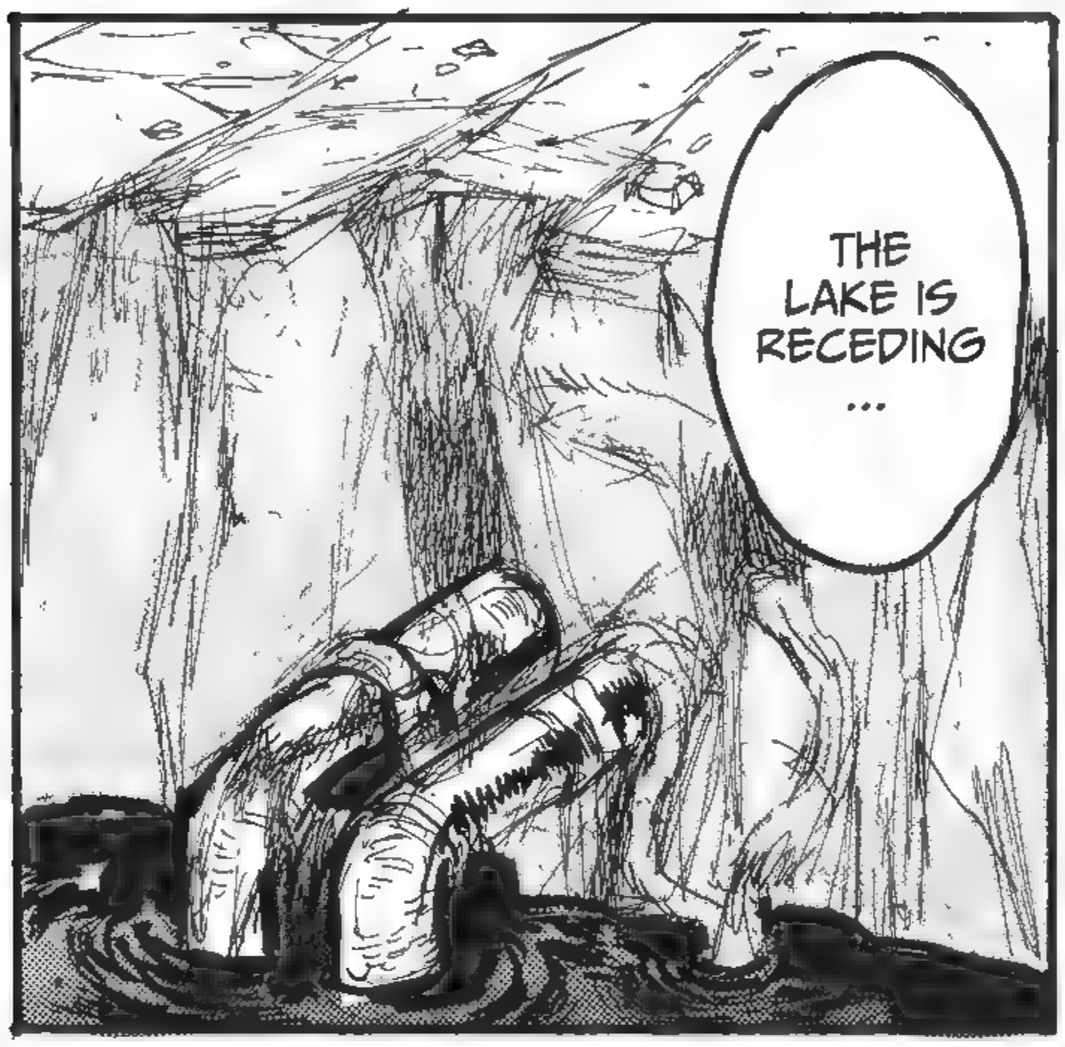
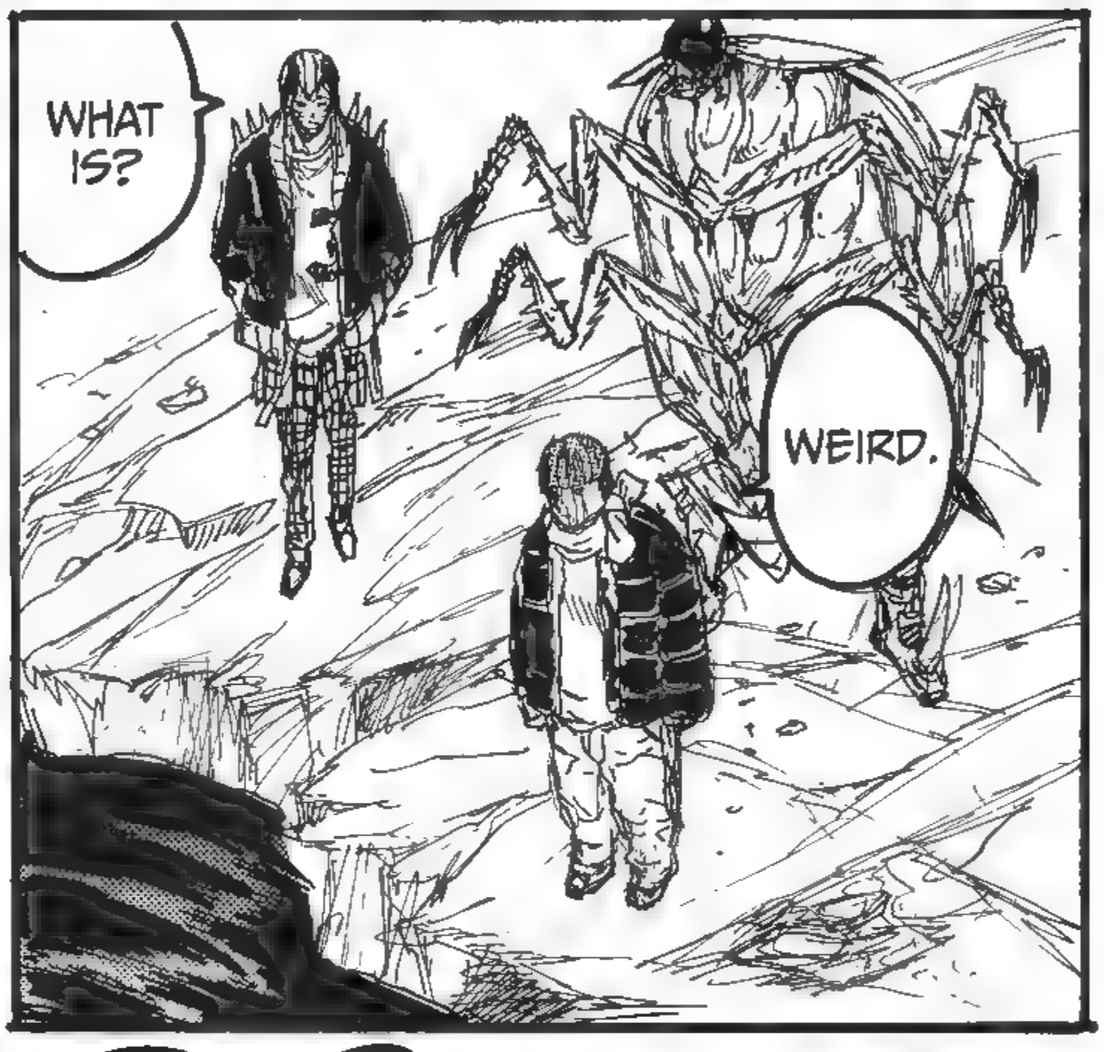
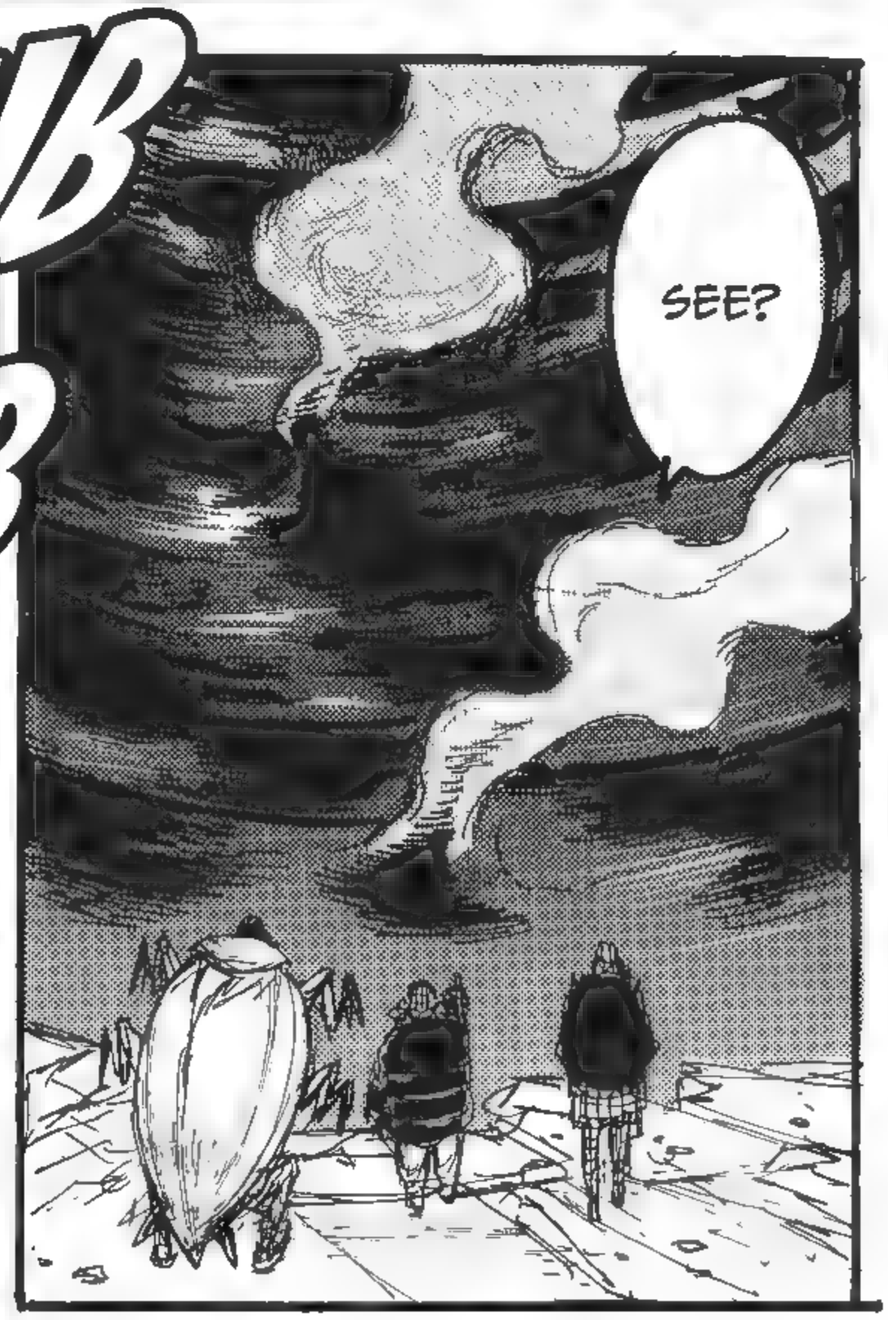

THE LAKE IS RECEDING ...


WHAT IS?
WEIRD.

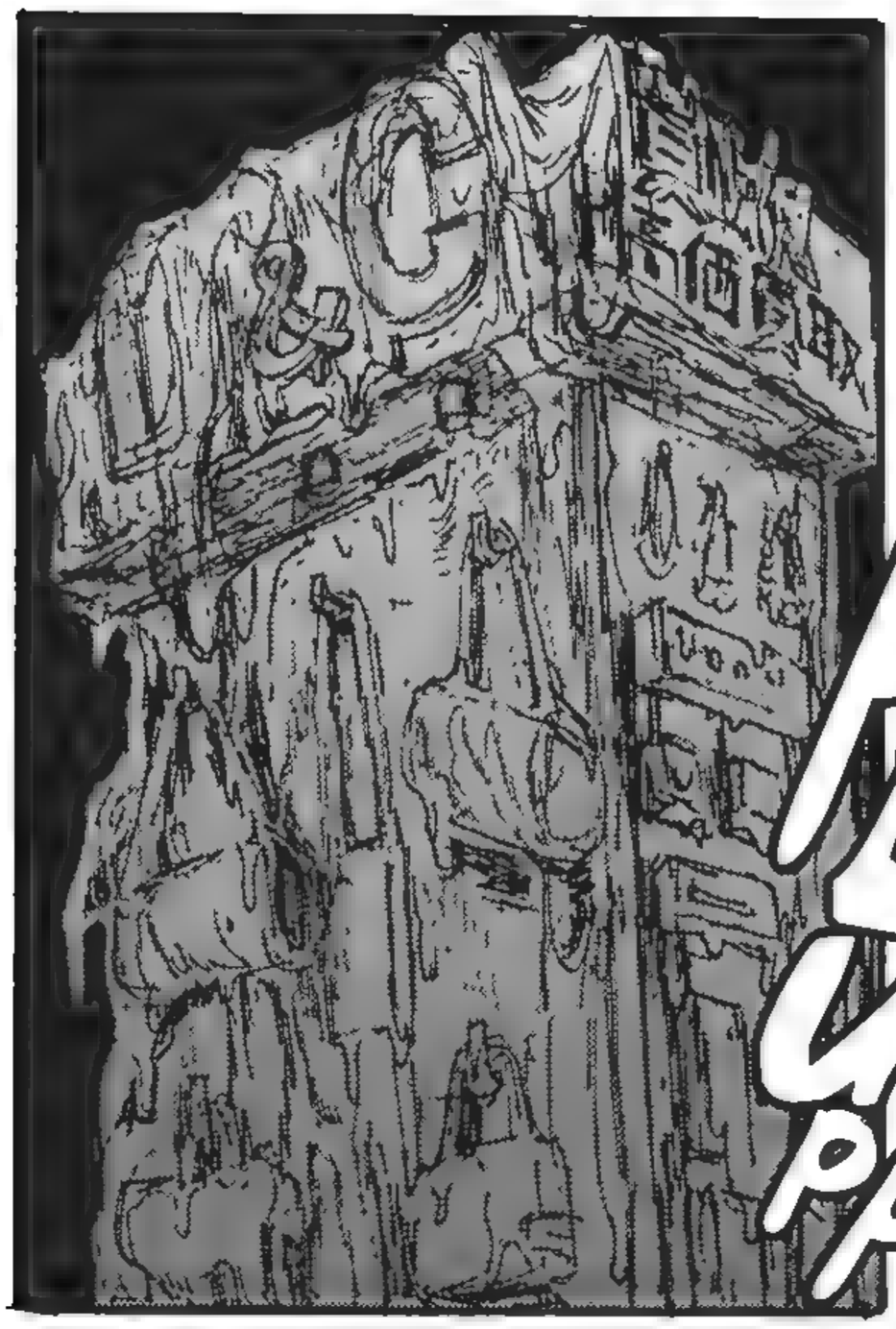
BLUB
BLUB
BLUB
BLUB


SEE?

IT'S GETTIN' SUCKED DOWN THE CENTER!

BLUB BLUB BLUB BLUB

BLUB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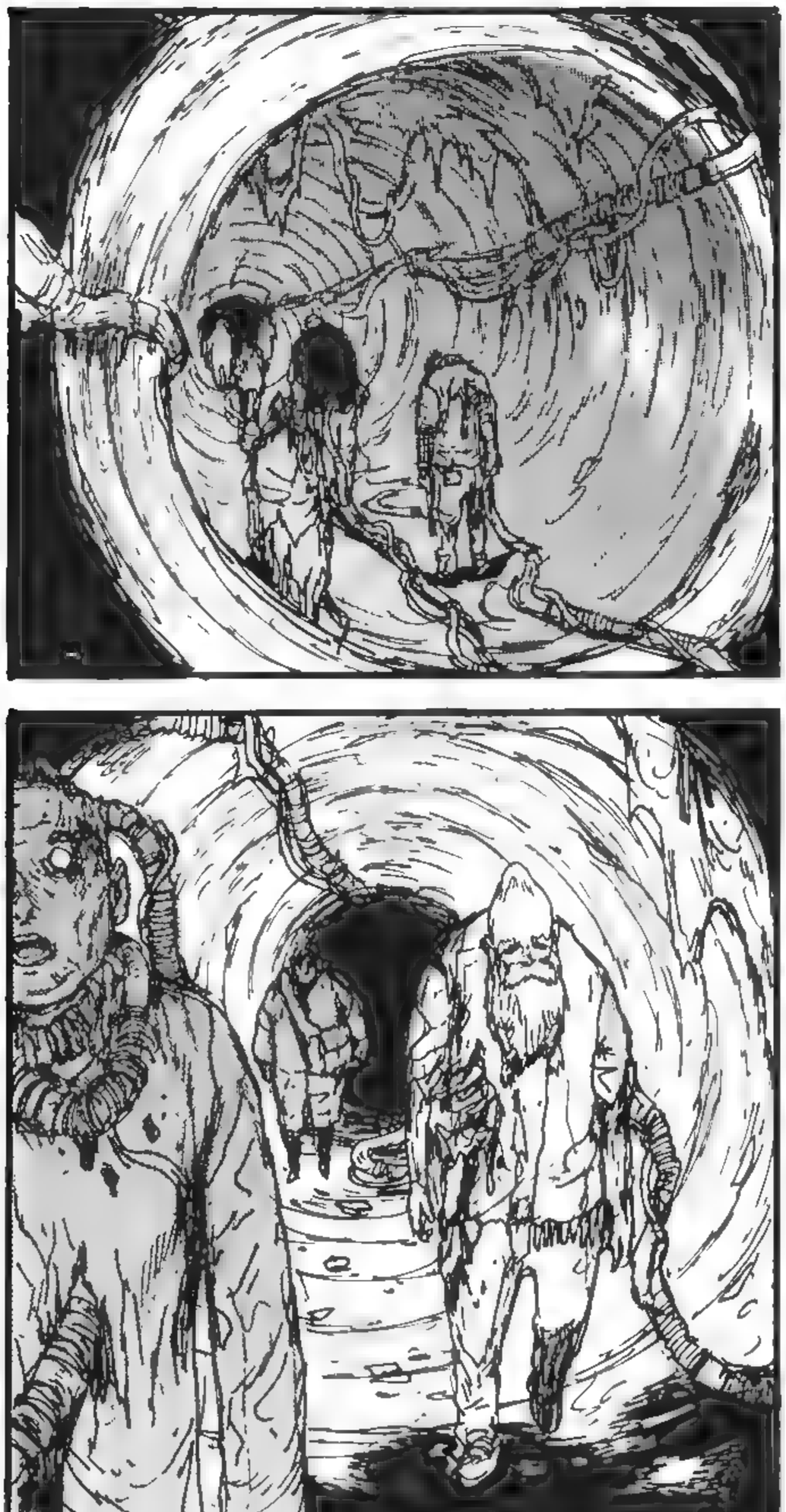
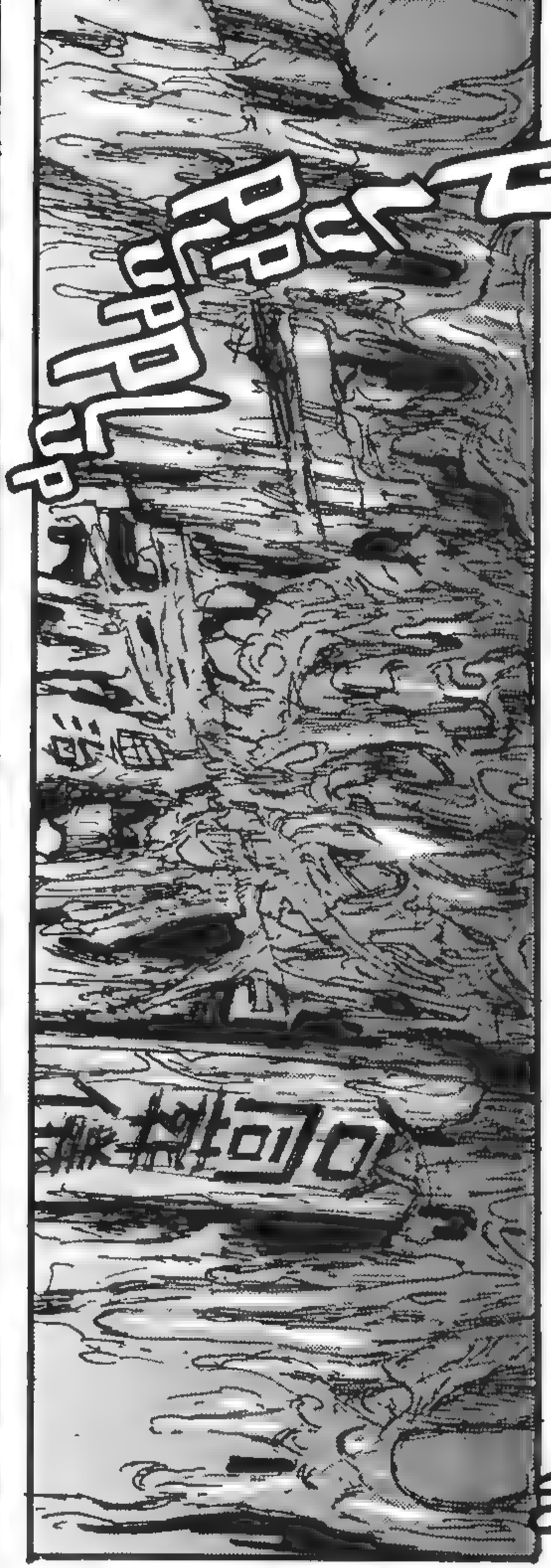



DRRRR
UPPPP

BLUB BLUB BLUB

PLASH

GOOD AS NEW.

NOW, WHERE THE FUCK AM I?

RIGHT... THAT TUBE THING STABBED MY LEG.

AND THEN...

SOME-THIN' GOT...

INSIDE ME.

BUT NOW I THINK I KNOW ...

...WHO *HE* IS AND WHAT *HE* WANTS.

HE CAN USE HUMANS, WHICH IS WHY I WENT CRAZY, BECAUSE I'M HALF.

NOW I REMEMBER. *HIM.*

THE BUILDINGS ARE MELTING!

BLUP BLUP BLUP

!

BLUP

THE GROUND'S TILTING ...?

FSH

EN!

WHO SAYS I'M NOT TOGETH-ER?

YOU GOTTA PULL YOUR-SELF TOGETH-ER!

I KNOW TOO.

I KNOW WHERE EVERYONE IS. I'LL TAKE YOU.

SORRY. THOUGHT YOU WERE DEPRESSED THAT JUDAS'S EAR GOT TAKEN.

I'M CONCEN-TRATING FOR MY NEXT ATTACK.

!!

I'M GOING TO BE... BUSY.

BUT YOU'LL TAKE ME ANYWAY.

DO *NOT* FUCK WITH EN.

I'LL TEACH THEM:

SHPP

THE DEVILS ARE ALL WORKED UP.

NIKAIDO!

AH!

WHAT THE FUCK?

FIX US!!!

ROLL ROLL

SHIT! SHIT!

WHERE'D THEY GO?!

MY TITS!

HANG ON, I'LL FIX YOU!

FUJI-TA?!

EBISU !!

SH-SHUT UP!

Y-YOU LOOK RIDICU-LOUS!

WAAA

...
THIS IS PRETTY FUCKED UP.

AH! NOI! YOU'RE BACK?!
I NEED YOUR MAGIC! PLEASE!

NGHH...

AN' HE'S FLOAT-ING.

BUT HE LOOKS WEIRD.

WHAAAT ?!

IT'S HIM! THE CROSS-EYES' BOSS!

NOI! PLEASE BE CARE-FUL!

STOP.

NOW I'M GONNA FUCK HIS SHIT UP!

BUT THAT'S GOOD FOR ME.

WHOZ-ZAT?!

HUH?!

You cannot defeat him.

His flesh is devil-grade strong now.

It's the only way to survive.

Take your friends and run.

WHO-RE!

NI-KAI-DO?!

It's me, Nikaido. Speaking directly to your minds.

BLOOP BLOOP

HM?

WHA-WHA-WHA

NOOOP

EEK!

BLUUPP

I FUH, FEEL...

WEIRD!

GOG!

NO NEED TO FEAR. EN IS HERE.

LADIES AND GENTLE-MEN.

TAMPA

TAMPA

FOR REAL ?
YOU'RE GOING TO FLY ABOVE THE RAIN ON THAT BROOM?

KIRION ...

PEEK

IF I FIGURE OUT WHAT'S CAUSING THE RAIN, MAYBE I CAN STOP IT.
SH!
ASUKA, WHY ARE WE HIDING—
PIE

THAT'S WHAT I'VE BEEN THINKING.

COME TO THINK OF IT, I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM MAKE SMOKE.

AND HE'S FINE IN THE RAIN... WAIT!

THAT BROOM... IT'S MINE! I FILLED IT UP DURING THE CROSS-EYES HUNT.

BUT WHY'S KIRION USING MINE ...?

BE RIGHT BACK.

I'LL BE FINE.

SPELL 140
EVIL GAMBLING

ISN'T THIS...

...THE PRIVATE FOREST BEHIND MY HOUSE?

FRESH MUSH-ROOMS.

AAAH!

AH, THE SCENT OF MUSH-ROOMS.

GOO-
GOO.

EN?

EN ...?!

HA HA HA!

AHH! AH HA HA HA!

YOU... CAME... BACK...

FZSHH

E... EN...

I'LL FIX YOU NOW.

LOOKS LIKE EVERY-ONE'S ALIVE.

IS THAT EN?! BUT HOW ...?

The pawns are in place.

Judas's Ear's magic resurrected him from Hell.

We'll win for sure!

This'll be great!

En getting added is huge!

Indeed. They're playing "bet on the strongest sorcerer."

ARE YOU GAM-BLING?

WHAT'S GOING ON?

WHAT?!

And if they lose, they all go back to being sorcerers.

Every-one other than me, that is.

Some-times, you just want to experience the thrill of real com-petition.

Well. without real stakes, gambling's no fun.

YOU ALL ARE REALLY OKAY WITH THAT?

THAT'S ONE HELL OF A GAM-BLE.

ARE YOU BETTING *IT* WILL WIN?

Yeah, yeah.

An' if we win, you make sure to keep your promise, Chidaruma!

...

And thus what I am hoping for.

Indeed. Now you must know Its true purpose...

Looks like our observations are finished here.

WHAT'S THAT?!

Ah. I almost forgot.

Gather up the booze and snacks.

BEE

Call the House.

Really good.

Good job on the gyoza.

Thank you!

SPLAK

AAAAA!

NGH!

WHY WOULD YOU ...?!

WHY, CHIDA-RUMA?

SMACK

Sorry, Asu.

One more.

AAAH!

SPAKK

SPUK

You can have these back.

Because you're another pawn, Asu.

Why would I?

Hey, where's Haru?

EN... ARE YOU FIGHTING?

THIS STUFF IS THE SAME SHIT THE TUBE WAS PUMPING INTO ME.

AND NOW THE WHOLE CITY'S MELTED.

THAT ROOM ...

GOTTA GET TO IT.

CAN'T LET EN GET DISSOLVED IN IT!

DRAG

THE PLACE WHERE THE SORCERERS WERE GATHERING.

HUH?

BUT EVERYTHING'S MELTED AND I CAN'T FIND THE WAY.

AAAH!

BLUP

IT'S RISING!

I'M GETTING WASHED WAY!

Hm?

AH!

Something about this place just stimulates my crea-tivity!

I was just using my portable composition set to work on my new song!

H-HELP!

Hey! Is En alive again?

You're En's man, Shin. What are you doing here?

BLUB!

Tell ya what. I'll do you a special favor.

Hee hee. No need to speak. I can tell by lookin' at ya.

You look like you want some-thing?

W-WE'RE ...

POMF

ZIKK

Magic POWER!

D-DROWNING!!

No need to thank me!

WHOOM

N-NO!

New clothes and masks, right?

Huh?

FSH

AK!

A devil helping people. It just doesn't sit right with me yet.

I'd better go.

Did Chida-ruma call it?

The House is moving.

IS THAT ONE OF YOUR MUSHROOM-DOLLS? ARE YOU ALIVE AGAIN?!

WE GOTTA FIGHT HARD, THEN!

EN!

TO KILL YOU.

I AM BACK.

!

THD

BEATS ME.

WHO'S THIS?

ASU!

SQEE

SPIK

EN'S MAGIC AIN'T WORKIN'.

BECOME A MUSH-ROOM!

NIKAI-DO?!

HAVE YOU LOST WEIGHT?

NO MORE BOOBS.

It won't work, En.

HEE HEE!

HA HA HA HA!

He's evolved.

You can't even destroy this single tube that took me.

His flesh is impervious to magical and physical attacks.

SEEMS SO. LOOKS LIKE A LOT HAPPENED WHILE I WAS AWAY.

BUT NIKAI-DO...

ISO

HHHO

A

KKK

SKHSSSS

!!

PSH!

BLUB

FREEING YOU IS EASY.

SKRT

NOI. MAKE HER WHOLE AGAIN.

HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE!

D-DOKU-GA...

DRAG...

AL-MOST ...!

MY BODY'S COMING BACK!

THUD

IS THAT YOUR BEST?

HMPH.

EN!

GAH HAH HAH HAH HAH

AAH!

BLOOP

BLOOP

WA HA!

GLUP

GLOOP

TIME TO SHOW YOU WHAT MY MAGIC CAN DO.

WELL NOW.

SPELL 141

WISH OF A SACRIFICE

YOU LOOK JUST LIKE YOU DID 13 YEARS AGO.

Al...

WHAT THE?

BLUP

THE UPSIDE-DOWN CITY IS MELTING ...

MY...

ALMOST THERE... IT'S STARTING TO END.

WHAT'S ENDING? AI?

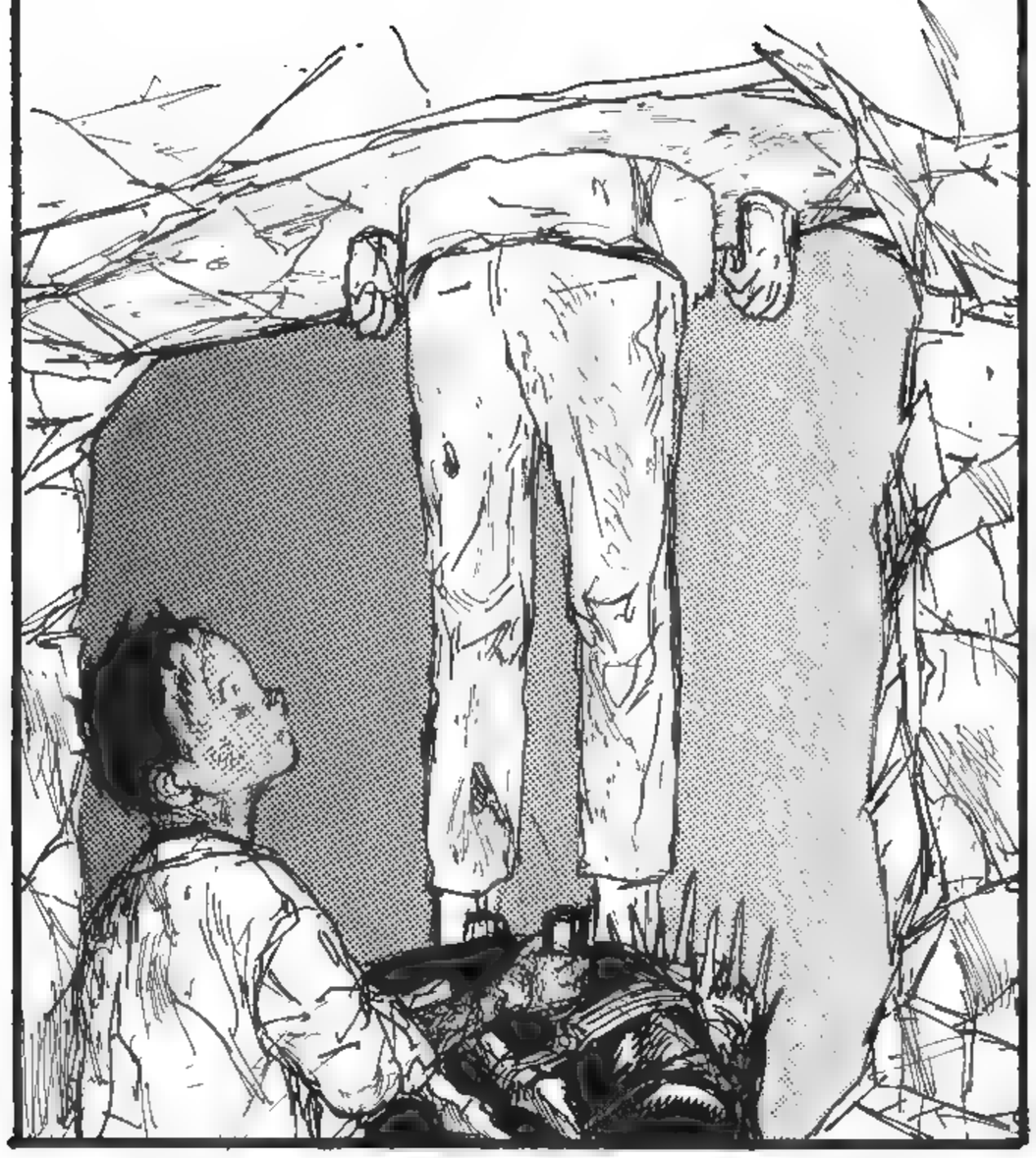
YOUR WHAT?

FOLLOW ME OR YOU'LL BE SWEPT AWAY.

WHOA.

FSHH

WHOA!!



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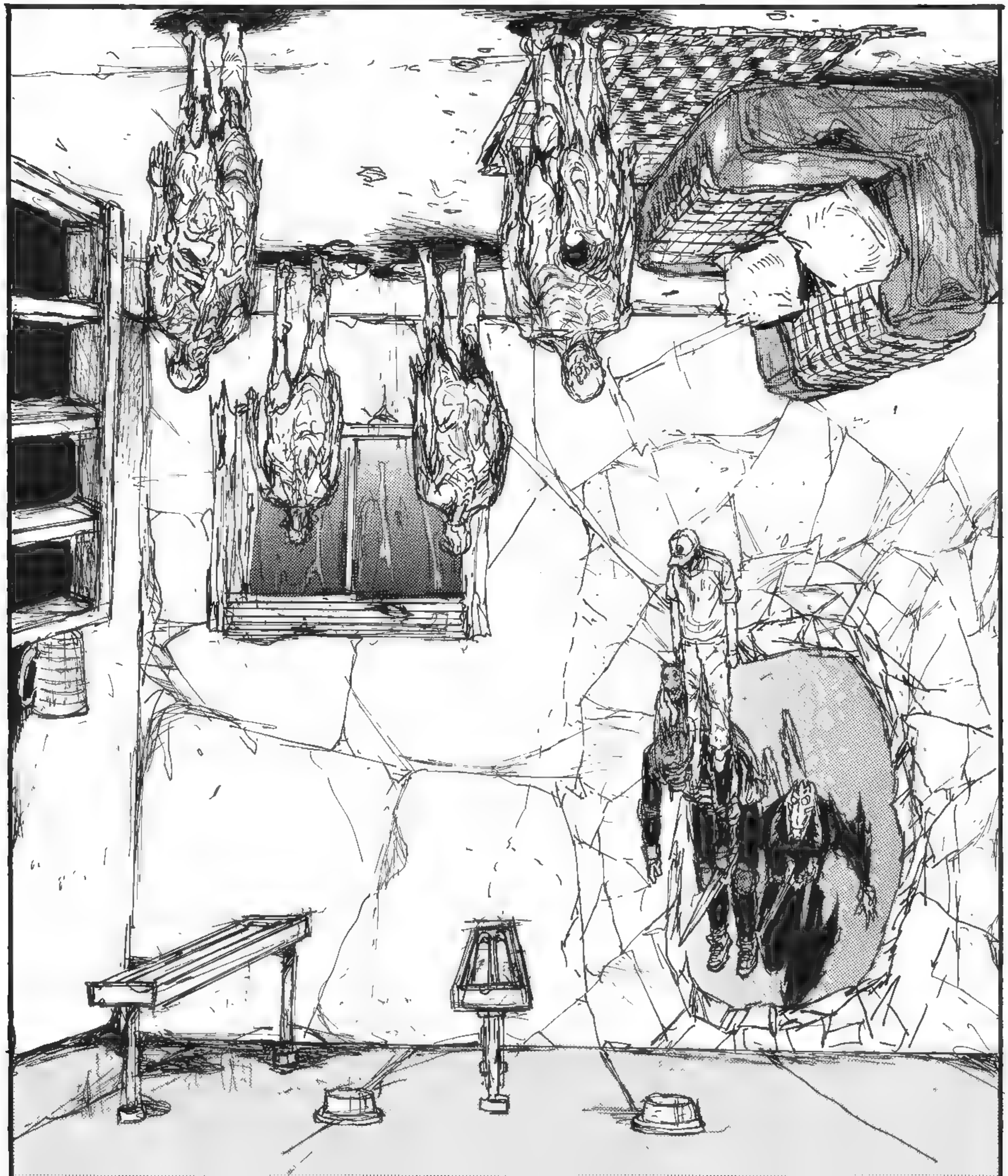
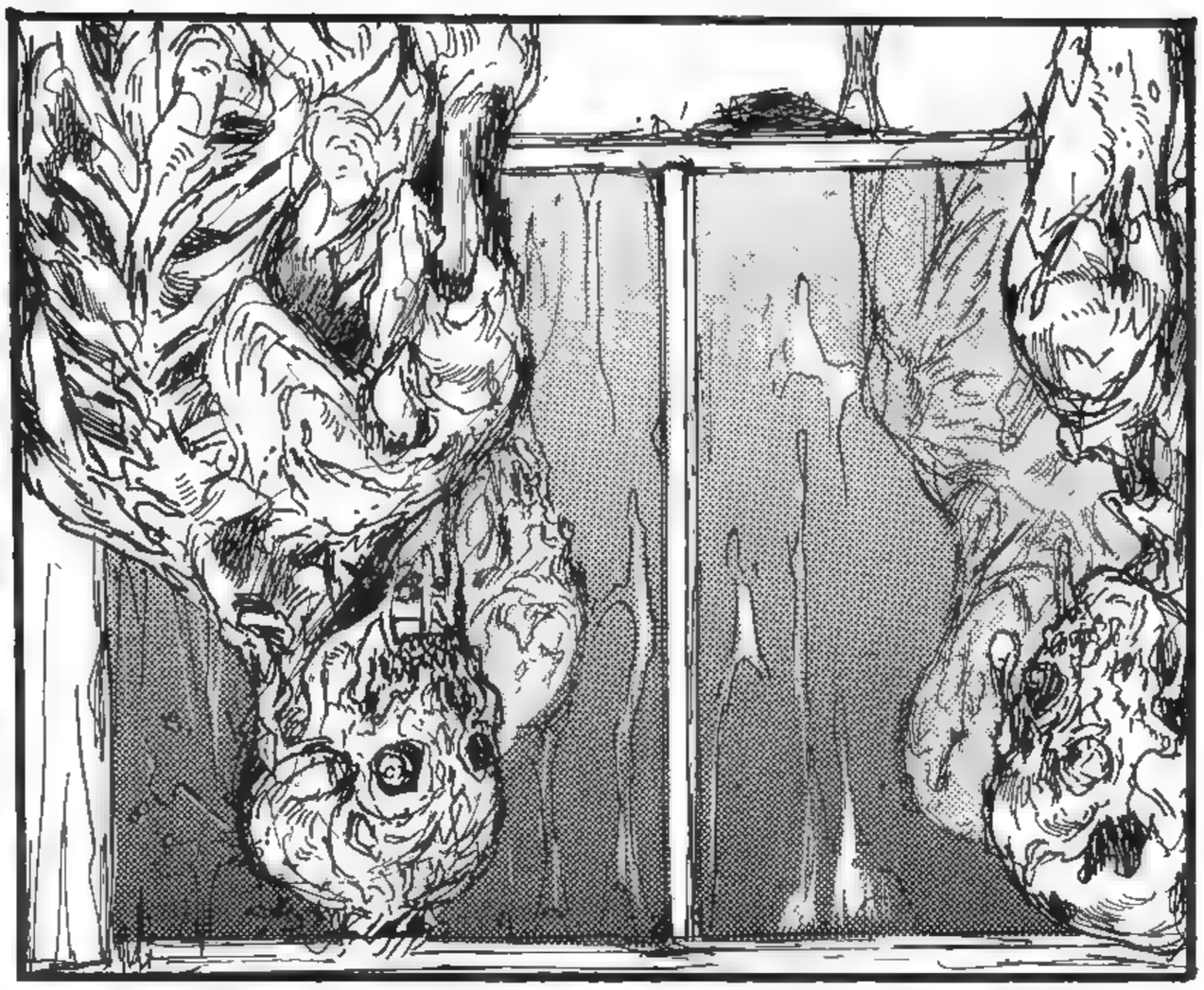
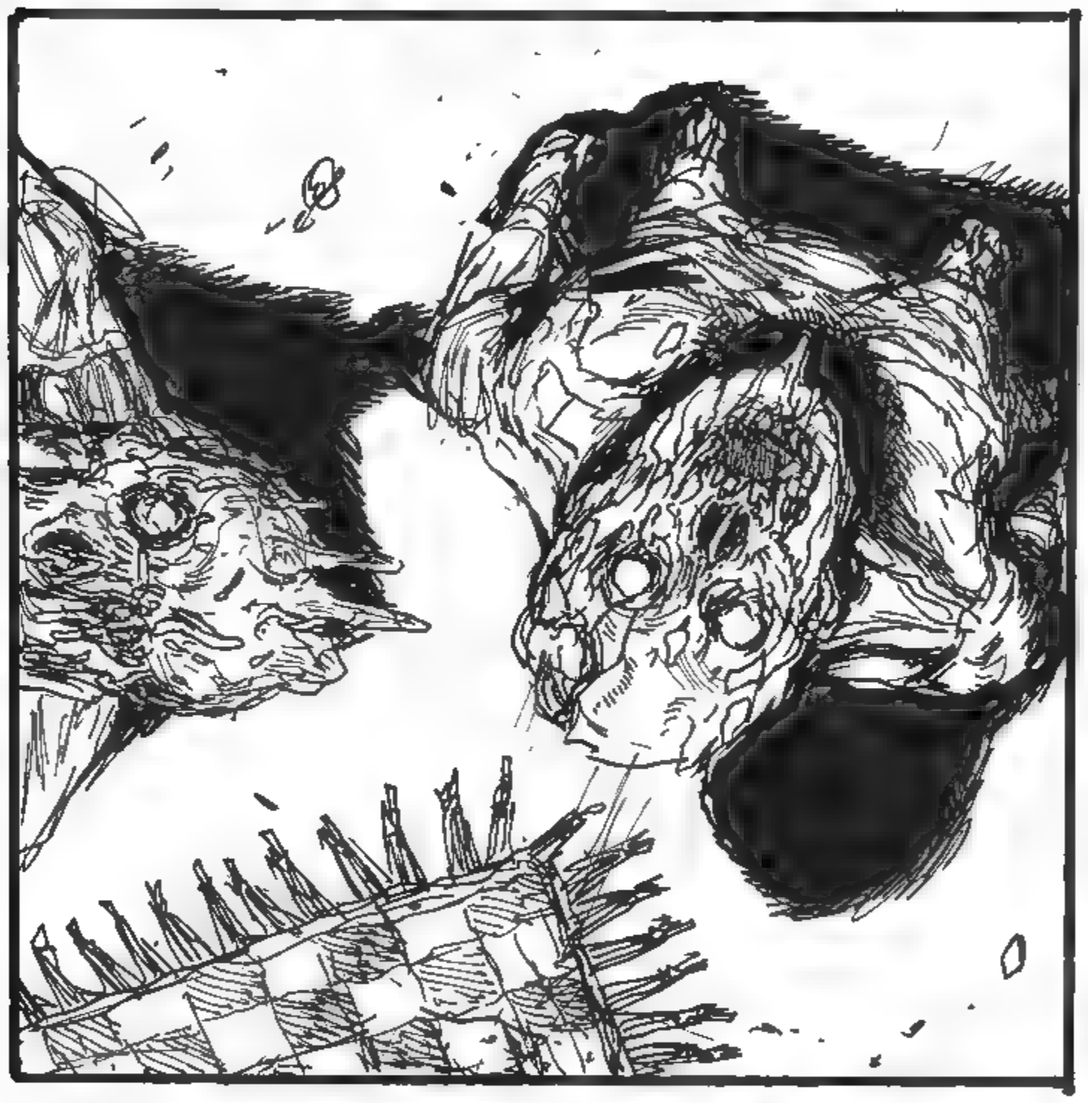
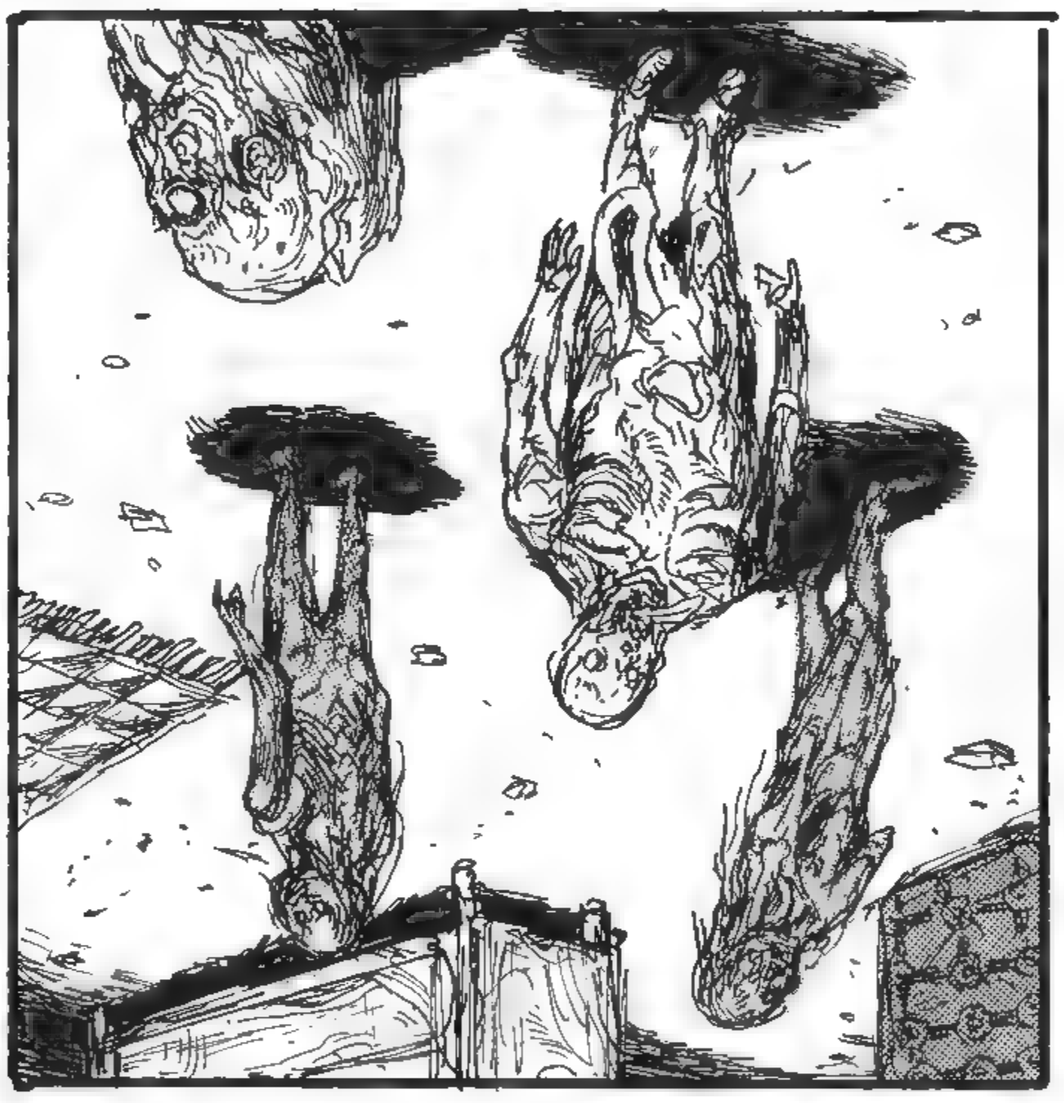
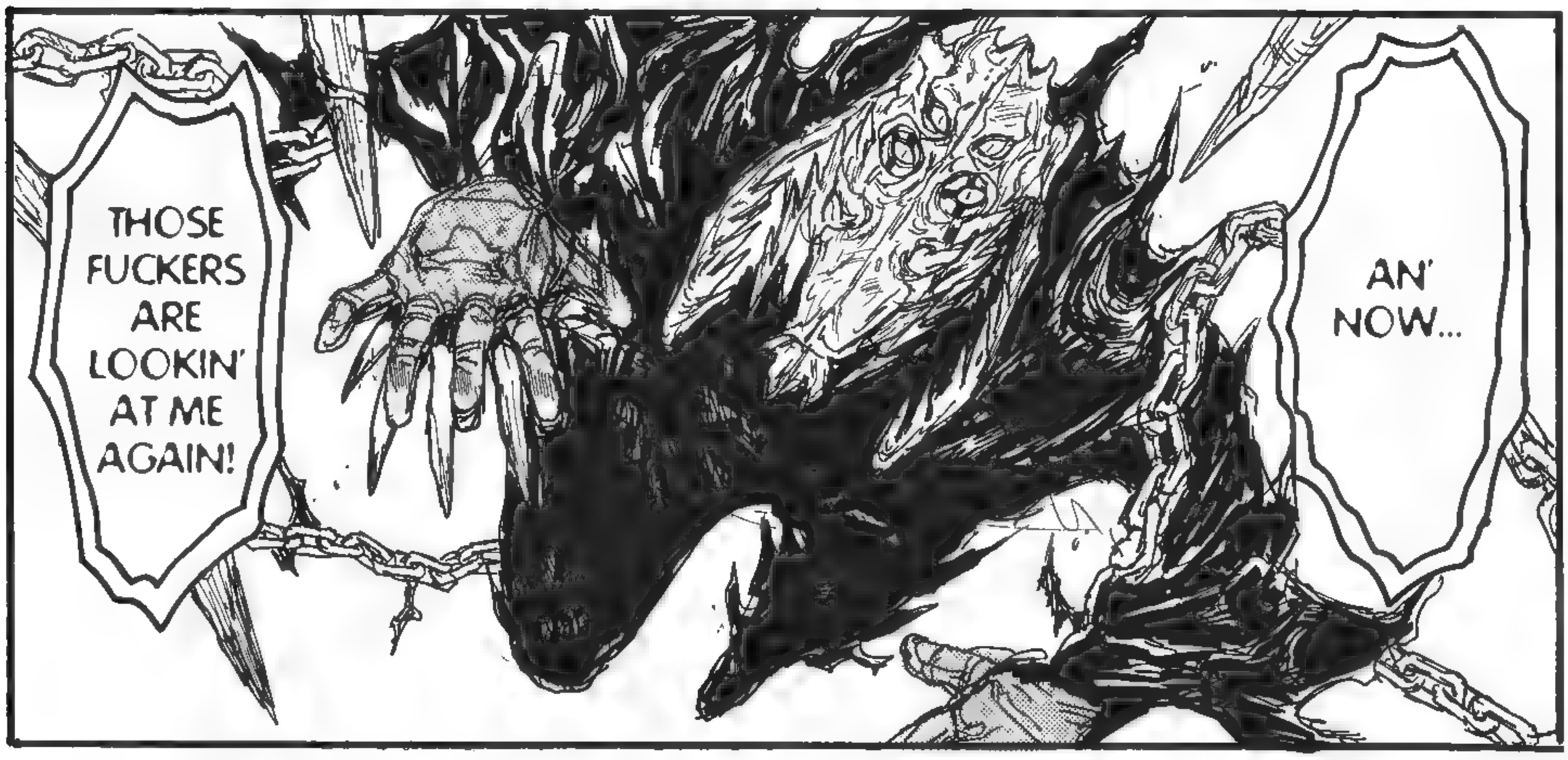


THOSE THINGS IN THE WINDOWS ARE LOOKIN' AT US!








THOSE FUCKERS ARE LOOKIN' AT ME AGAIN!
AN' NOW...

YEAH, WHAT ARE THEY?

THEY ALIVE?

THEY HATE SORCER-ERS.

EXACTLY, RISU.

THEY'RE JUST ANCIENT GHOSTS.

IGNORE THEM.

THIS SPACE IS JUST LIKE THAT.

SO THAT OUR FOOT-STEPS DON'T ATTRACT *HIS* ATTENTION.

WHY'S EVERY-THING UPSIDE DOWN?

YOU MEAN THAT BIG FLOATING GUY?

HIS?

IT STUCK ME AND CAIMAN WITH TUBES.

AND FILLED US WITH THAT BLACK LIQUID.

THAT'S IT.

NGH!

AI... BEFORE I GO TOTALLY TO PIECES...

TELL ME EVERY-THING.

KOFF

THAT'S THE PLAN.

SURE.

WHATS THIS?

AN ABANDONED ROOM I PLAYED IN AS A KID.

THERE'S TREASURE HIDDEN INSIDE THIS RATTY MATTRESS.

HE DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS PLACE.

ONLY I KNOW IT.

ZASAI PICKLES MADE FROM THE BONES OF DEAD SORCERERS.

THESE PICKLING JARS ARE PACKED WITH THEIR HAIR.

GO ON IN.

NGH...

RAIN!

WHERE ARE WE?

THAT DAY...

HUH? I DONT FEEL BAD.

AN- OTHER ILLU- SION?

HOW COULD I FORGET? I WAS STANDING RIGHT HERE.

YOU REMEMBER IT, PRO- FESSOR KASUKABE?

IF I HADN'T TURNED MY BACK, YOU'D--

GLUB BLUB!

AI!

WHAT ?!

WE'D BETTER FOL-LOW.

SPLASH

AI!

THE PAIN WAS HORREN-DOUS.

FIRST MY SKIN PEELED AWAY.

THE LAKE'S POISONOUS WATER ATE AWAY AT MY BODY.

THAT'S WHEN *HE* ENTERED ME.

THE SLUDGE ATE AT MY FLESH AND BONE.

I KNEW I WAS DYING.

THAT'S ALL.

AN' THAT I COULD GET THE EXPERIMENTAL SURGERY I'D ALWAYS WANTED...

BUT I DIDN'T REALIZE IT.

ALL I KNEW WAS THAT I GOT RES-CUED.

THE ONLY ONE WHO COULD DO IT WAS PROFESSOR KASUKABE.

NO MATTER HOW MUCH I WANTED IT, I COULD NEVER GET IT.

OH, AI...

I FIGURED HE'D FINALLY GRANT MY STUPID WISH.

BUT NOW THAT I WAS ALMOST DEAD...

THE PROFESSOR WOULD NEVER HAVE DONE IT IF I'D BEEN HEALTHY.

EIGHT SORCERER CORPSES.

ALL THE PARTS WERE READY.

BUT THERE'S NO WAY IT COULD HAVE MADE YOU A SORCERER.

YOU KNOW THAT, RIGHT, AI?

AND THEN THE OPERATION WAS OVER ...

BUT AT THE TIME, I BELIEVED I'D BECOME ONE.

NOW.

I BE-
LIEVED.

IT WAS
PURE WILL-
POWER.

BUT
I WAS
WRONG.

AND
HE
USED
THAT.

HE
SENSED
WHAT I
WANTED.

YEAH. THAT YOU FELT LIKE YOU'D BECOME THE HOLE ITSELF.

AND THAT YOU WERE A SOR-CERER NOW.

REMEM-BER WHAT I SAID, PROFES-SOR?

KASUKABE CLINIC

OPEN

SO WHEN I WENT OFF ON MY OWN...

I BELIEVED I HAD.

I FELT SOME-THING INSIDE ME THAT'D NEVER BEEN THERE BEFORE.

I...

WHY'D YOU DIE?

RIGHT! AND WHAT HAPPENED THEN?

I ASKED THEM TO TAKE ME THROUGH THE DOOR TO THEIR... OUR WORLD.

I CALLED OUT TO SOME SORCERERS I'D NEVER SEEN. THEY WERE HERE TO PRACTICE.

THEY DIDN'T BELIEVE ME.

BUT I COULDN'T MAKE SMOKE, SO...

"HE" KNEW THIS WOULD HAPPEN.

LIKE SWATTIN' A FLY.

AND THEY KILLED ME.

AND SO HE BROUGHT ME BACK ...

ON LIVING DEAD DAY.

THE RAIN THAT HURTS THE SORCER-ERS? THAT'S *HIM* TOO.

MADE UP OF DEAD SORCERERS ...

AN' MY BODY...

HE DID ALL OF IT.

HE IS THE SOURCE.

A MEAT-SACK FULL OF STUFF *HE* WANTED.

WAS *HIS* SACRIFICE.

IT'S THE WHOLE REASON *HE* LIVES.

THAT SHIT IN THE PIT AIN'T SLUDGE.

YOU GUYS REALIZE NOW, RIGHT?

WHO *HE* IS.

A GRUDGE BORN FROM DEATH, STILL HUNGERING FOR MORE...

HE IS HATE AND DEATH ITSELF, FROM ALL THE HUMANS SLAUGHTERED BY SORCERERS.

HE WANTS EVERY FUCKIN' SORCERER DEAD.

USING MY BODY...

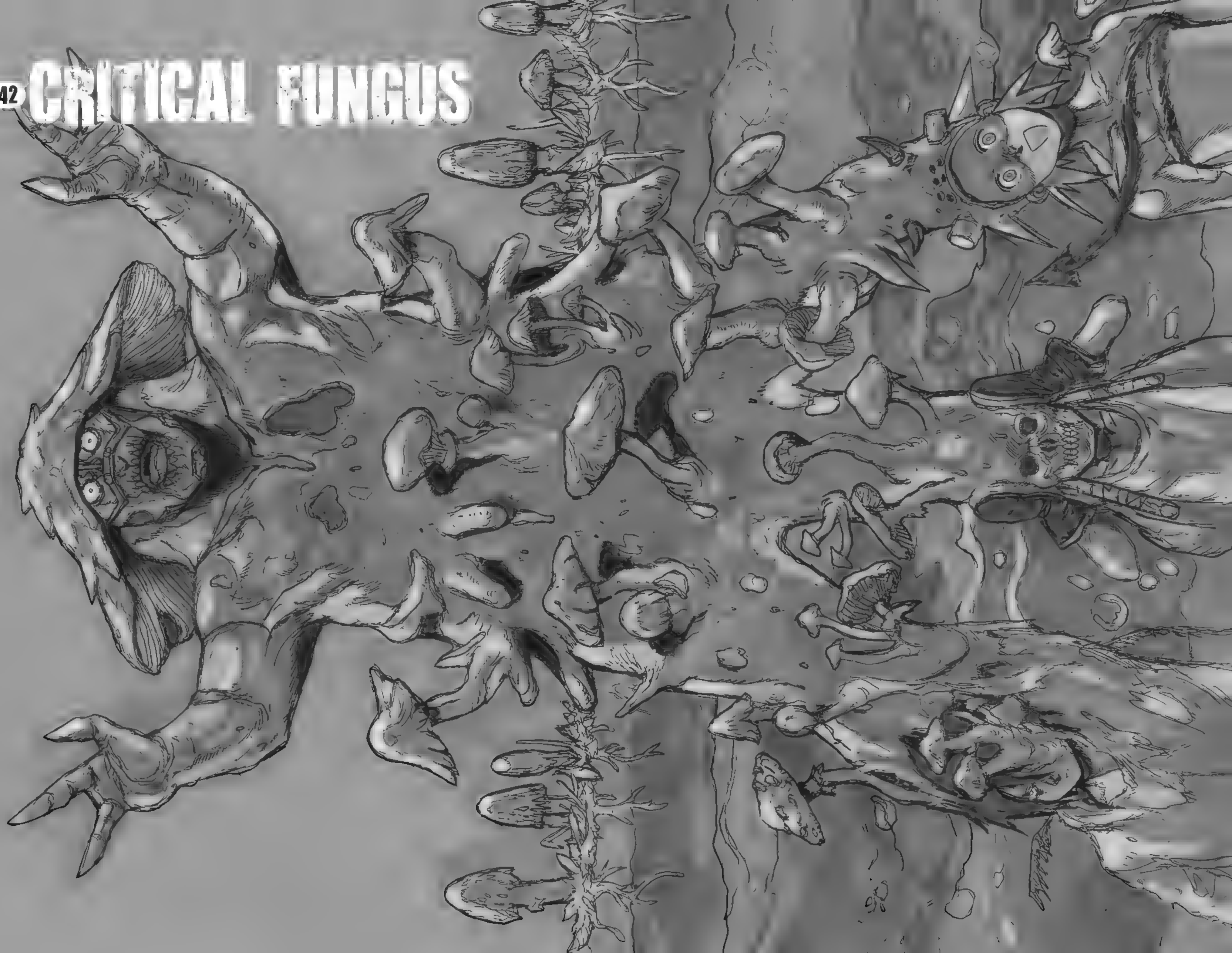
I DIED 13 YEARS AGO.

LET ME TELL YOU MY STORY.

I'LL START AT THE BEGIN-NING.

SPELL 142

CRITICAL FUNGUS



TEE-
HEE-
HEE-
HEE!

GA
HA
HA
HA!

HM.

THAT ALL YOU GOT?

NOW I'LL SHOW YOU *MY* MAGIC.

WELL.

BLRP

BRMP BRMP

BRMP BRMP

HA HA HA HA!

ZOOOP

ZOOOP

THRPPP

NOOOP

POIT

POIT

SHHHPP

SHHP

SNAP

SNAP

ZDTT

ZOOP

WHOA!

FWOOSH

NNGH ...

ZPTT

BOSS!

WHY?

YOU KILLED MY FRIENDS! YOU TRICKED US!

DOKUGA!

DSHHT

POIT

POIT

POP~

EEEEK!

TUP TUP

AAAH!

NOOO~

OH MAN.

AAH !!

POIT POIT

EN MADE MORE OF 'EM!

GO, EN! GET HIM!

WE'LL HELP YOU AS SOON AS WE GET FIXED!

EN'S BACK.

BAS-TARD!

SNICKER

HE SUCKED OUT ALL MY ENERGY.

POIT POIT

PSHEW

TIME TO BRING BACK NIKAIDO.

FLESH

ARE YOU OKAY, NIKAIDO?

HUH?

I can move now.

Thanks for spraying your smoke on me.

WERE YOU ALWAYS THIS BIG?

ARE YOU TURN-ING INTO ...

YOU HAVE A TAIL? AND YOUR VOICE...

NZP

WHOA!

Got it in one, Noi!

I'm in the middle of going devil!

GRP

FWIK

POP

SQEE

WHA'D YOU DO, NOI?!

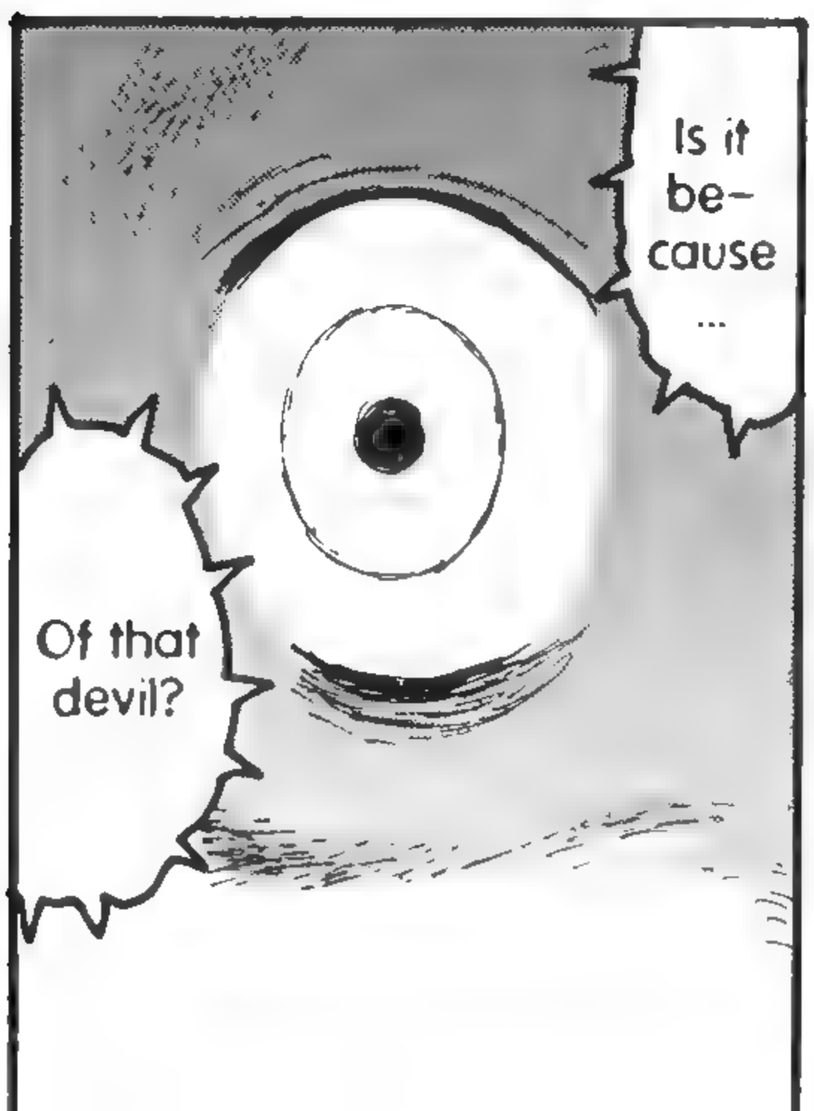
WHAT THE HELL ?

SHIT.

NOI

NIKAIDO... WHY ARE YOU SO GOD-DAMNED... HEALTHY LOOKING?

NDJ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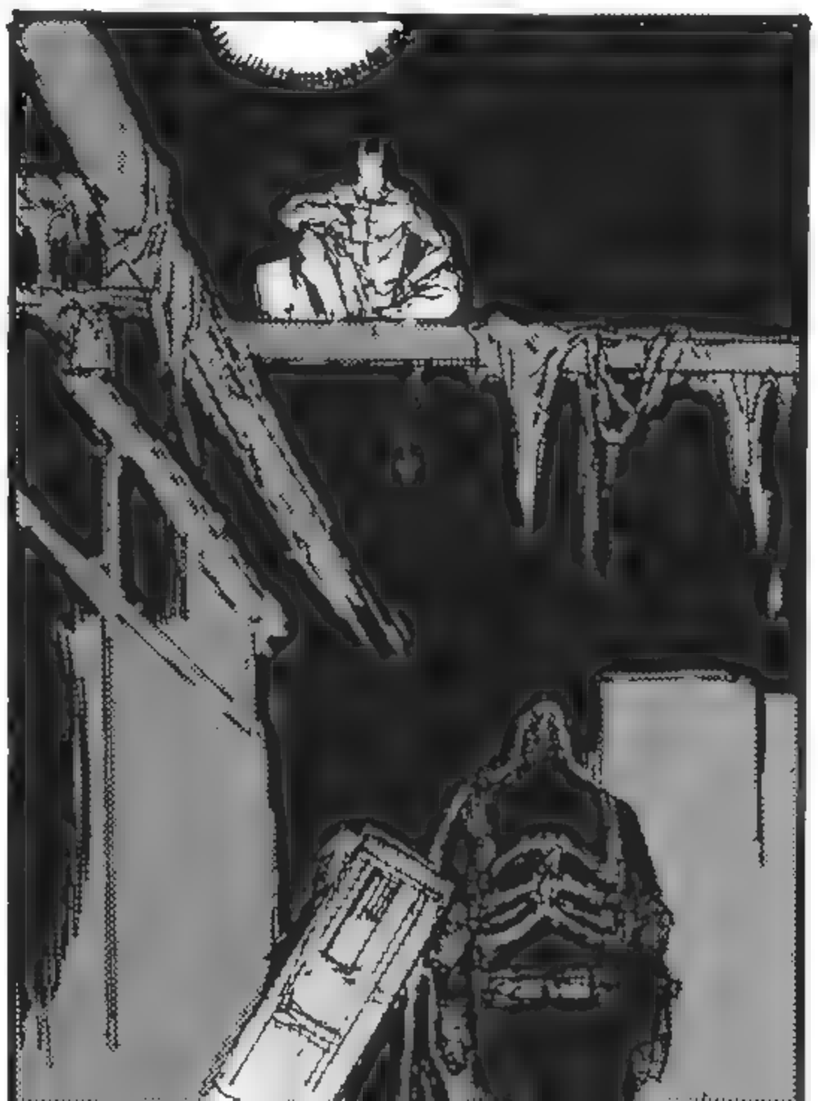
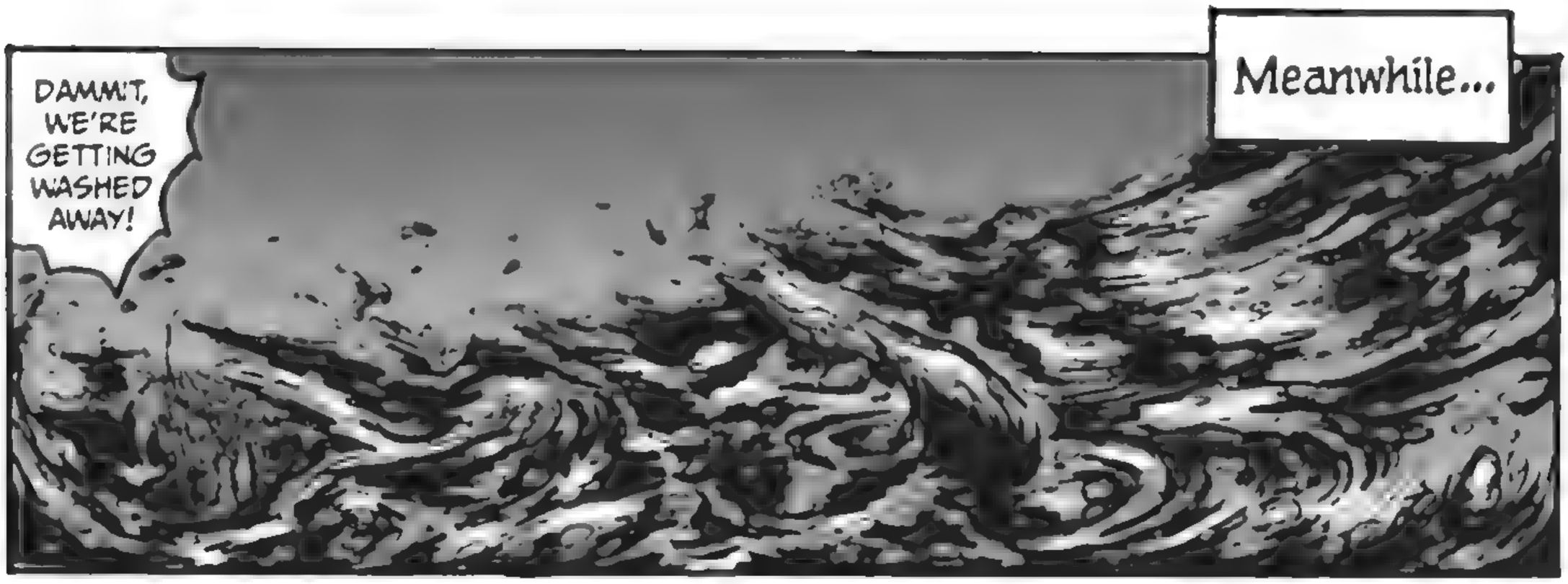
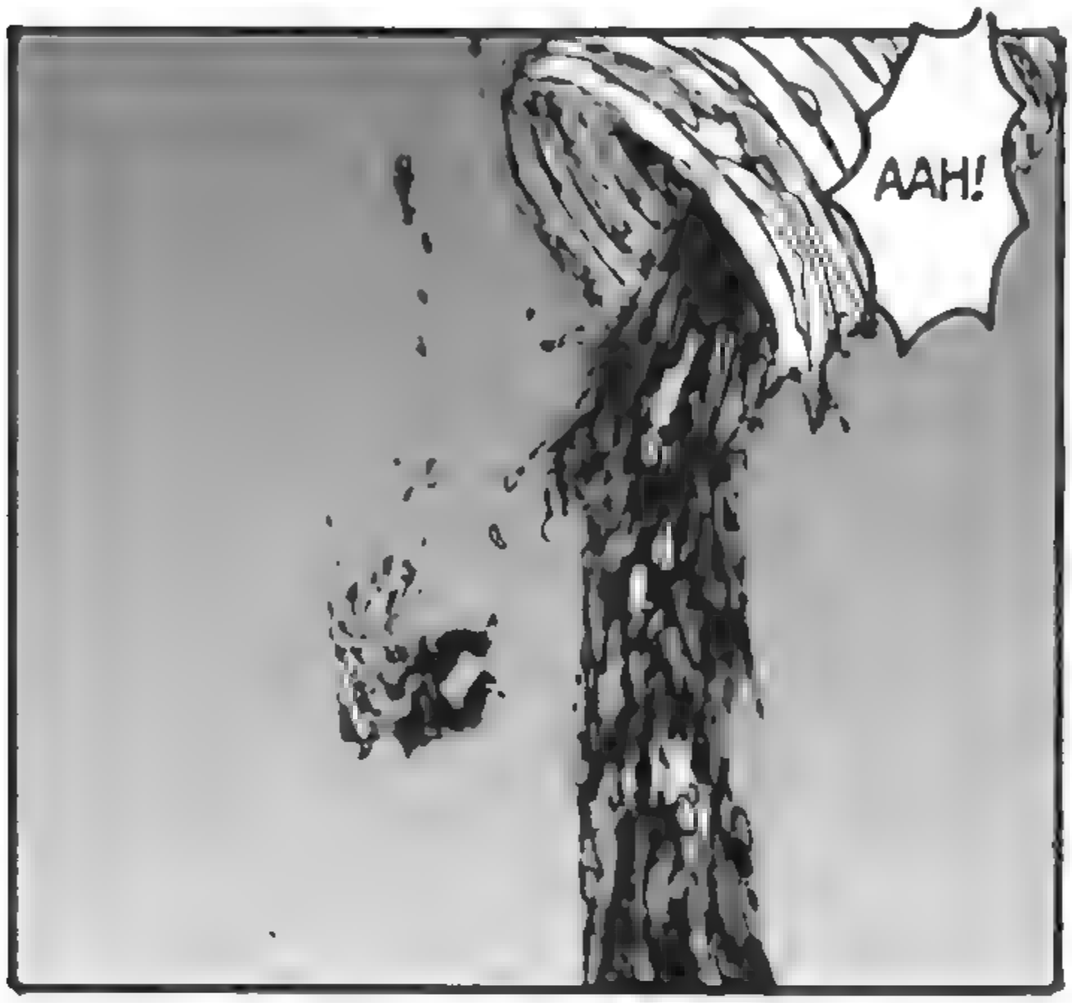
cause ...
Of that devil?



My body...


DAMM:T, WE'RE GETTING WASHED AWAY!
Meanwhile...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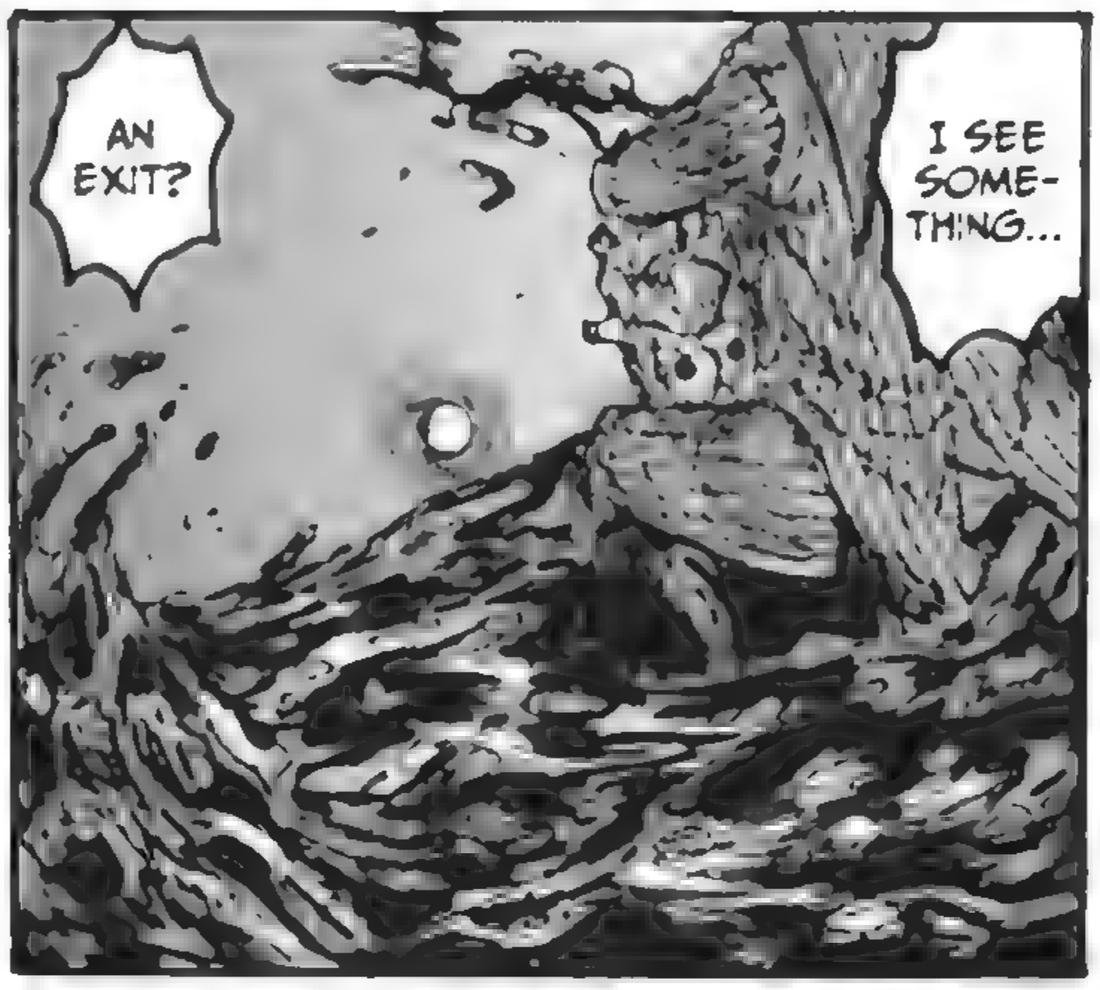
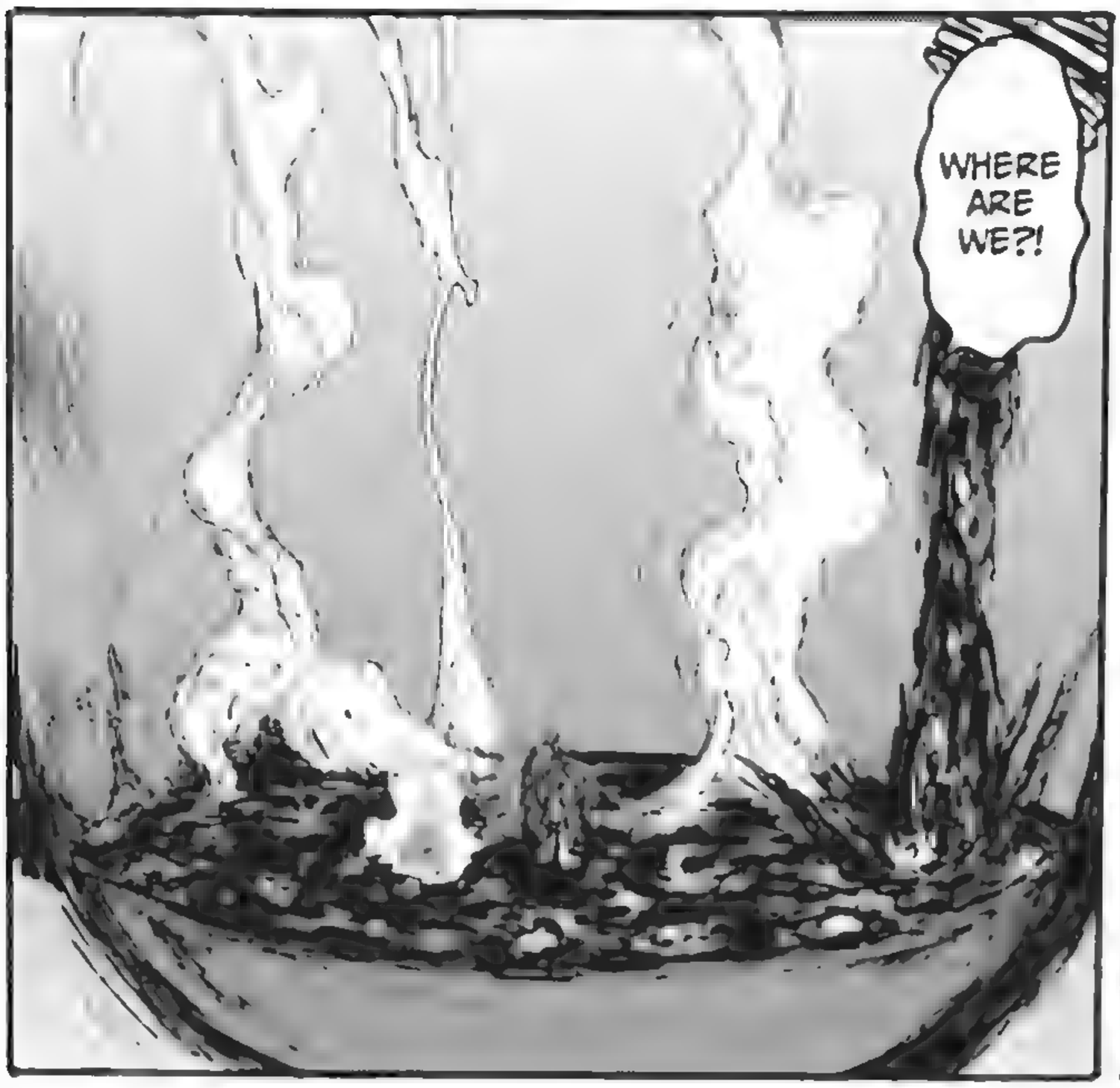

AN EXIT?
I SEE SOME-THING...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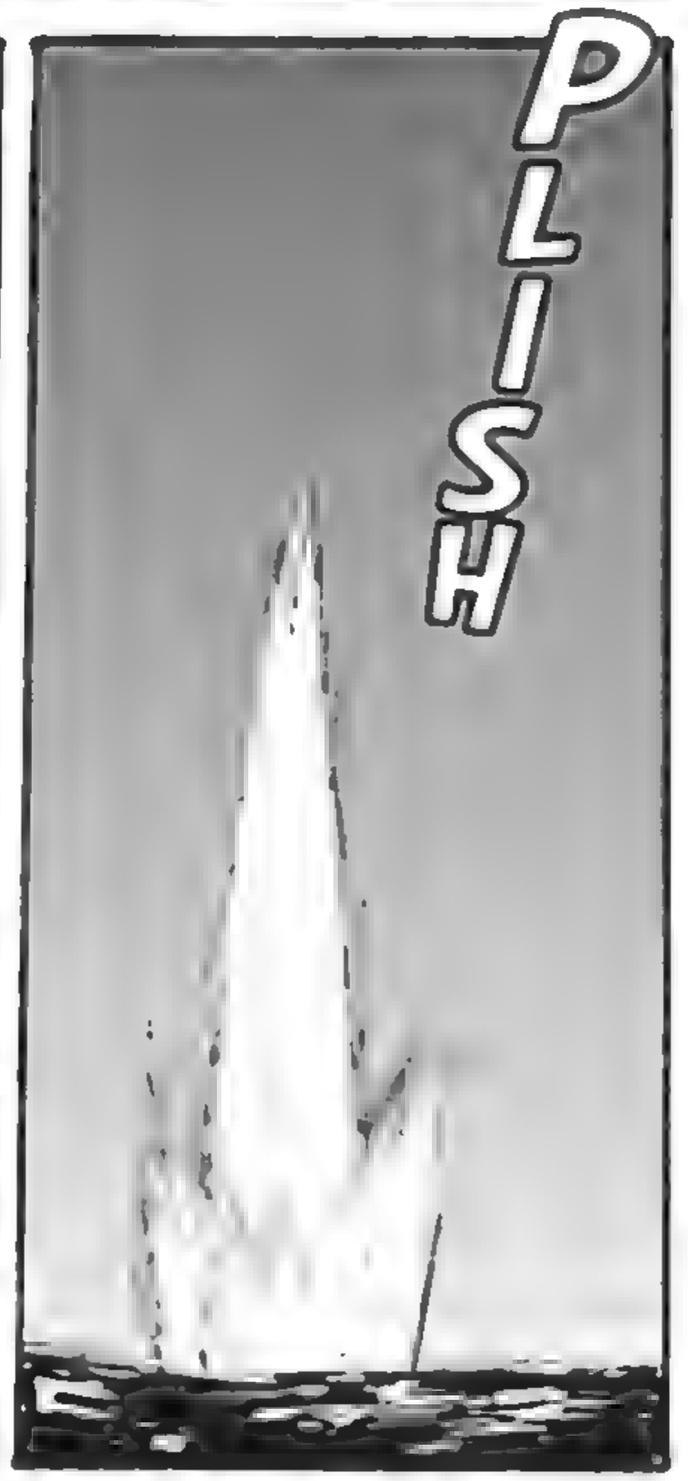

PLISH

DASH

YOU GO, EN!

EEEK!

THMP

TMP

AH!

WHOA!

VOOP

VOOP

THIS AIN'T OVER.

SKITTER

SLITHER

WHAA!

SCREE

HOW YA LIKE THAT?

NOW THERE'S MORE.

ROROROR

BECAUSE MY TRUE FORM ISN'T HERE.

DOESN'T WORK ON ME AT ALL.

AH, RIGHT.

Y-YEAH ...

IT WORKS ON US ...!

PK PK PO

BWF

AAAH!

HEY!

BOUM

BLOP

W-WAIT!

WE'RE STILL REGENER-ATING—

ME TOO?!

WHA-WHA?!

FSSSS

...

POPOK

EEEEEE!

POPOK

BUT NOT US, OF COURSE.

I'LL ALWAYS PROTECT YOU.

THOSE ARE HIGHLY PROTECTIVE SHROOM-SUITS.

NYA.

YOU ALIVE, JUDAS'S EAR?

WAIT!

HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE

BUT I'M STILL ATTACHED.

I ALREADY GAVE YOU SOME MUSHROOM SPORES AS A PRESENT.

AND BEFORE I FOR-GET!

BUT THEY'RE INSIDE OF YOU.

!!

POKPOK

THEN IT SHOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE MUSHROOMS TO BREAK THROUGH.

IF THAT BODY OF YOURS IS AS STRONG AS A DEVIL'S...

I FOUGHT A MAN ONCE THAT MAGIC DIDN'T WORK ON.

OR CAN YOU DIGEST THEM?

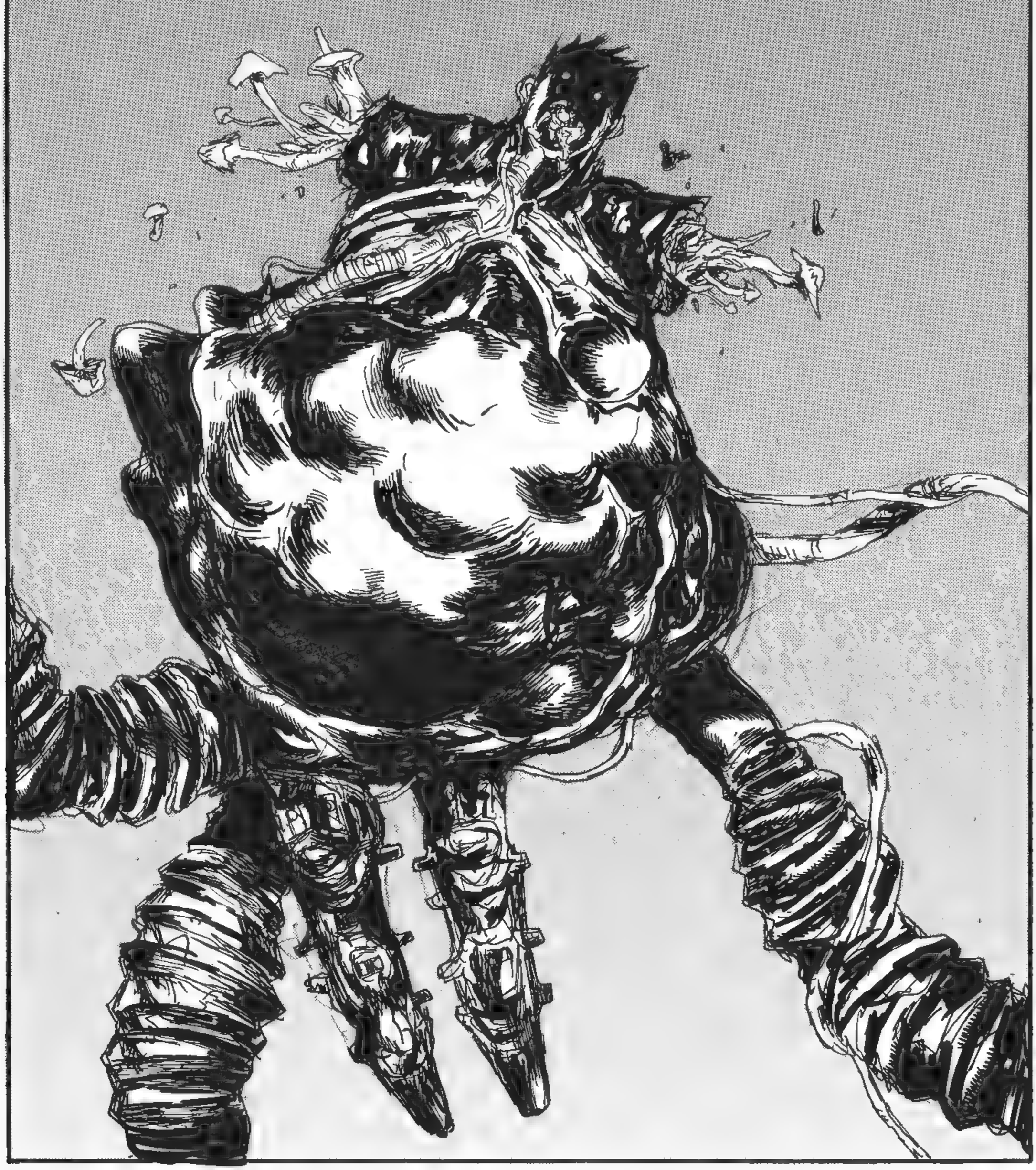
HAAK!

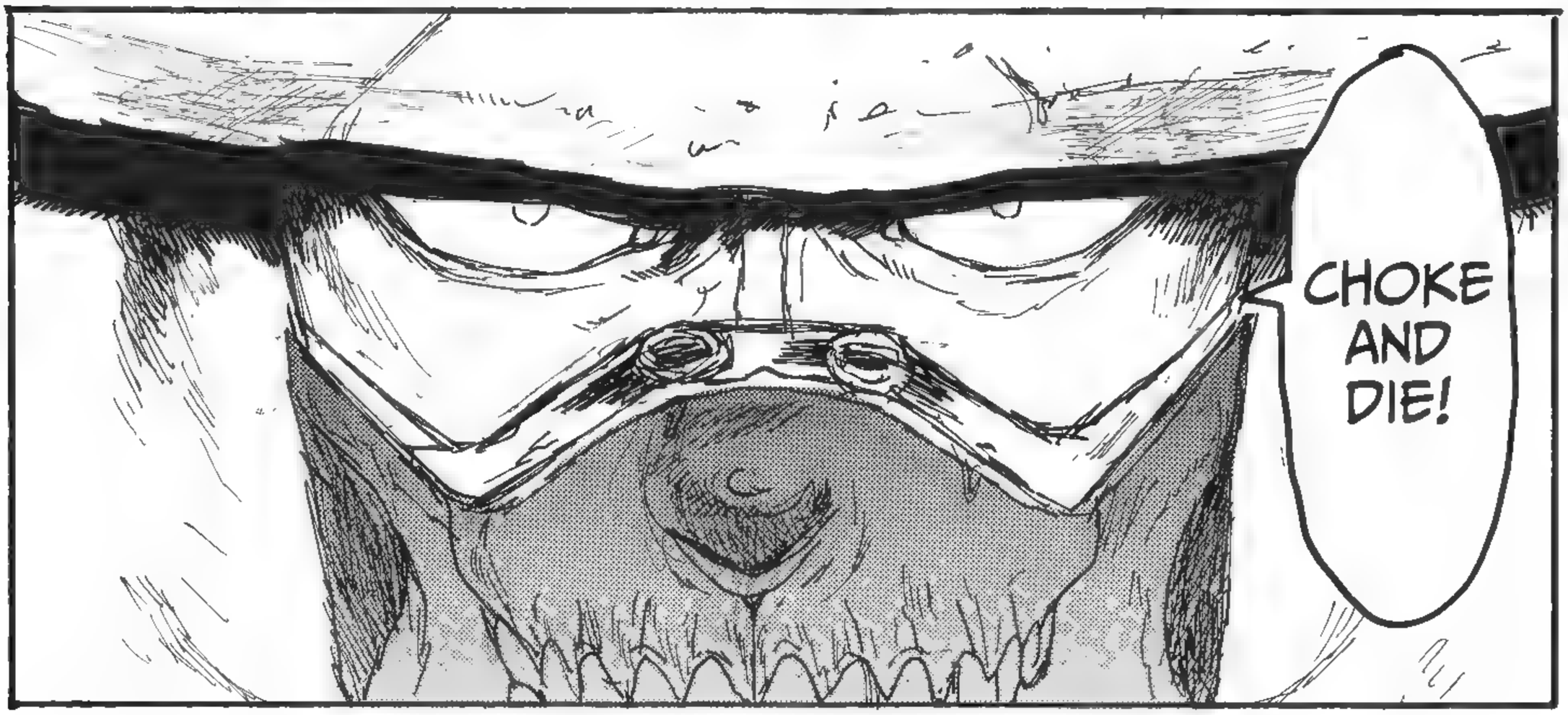
POK

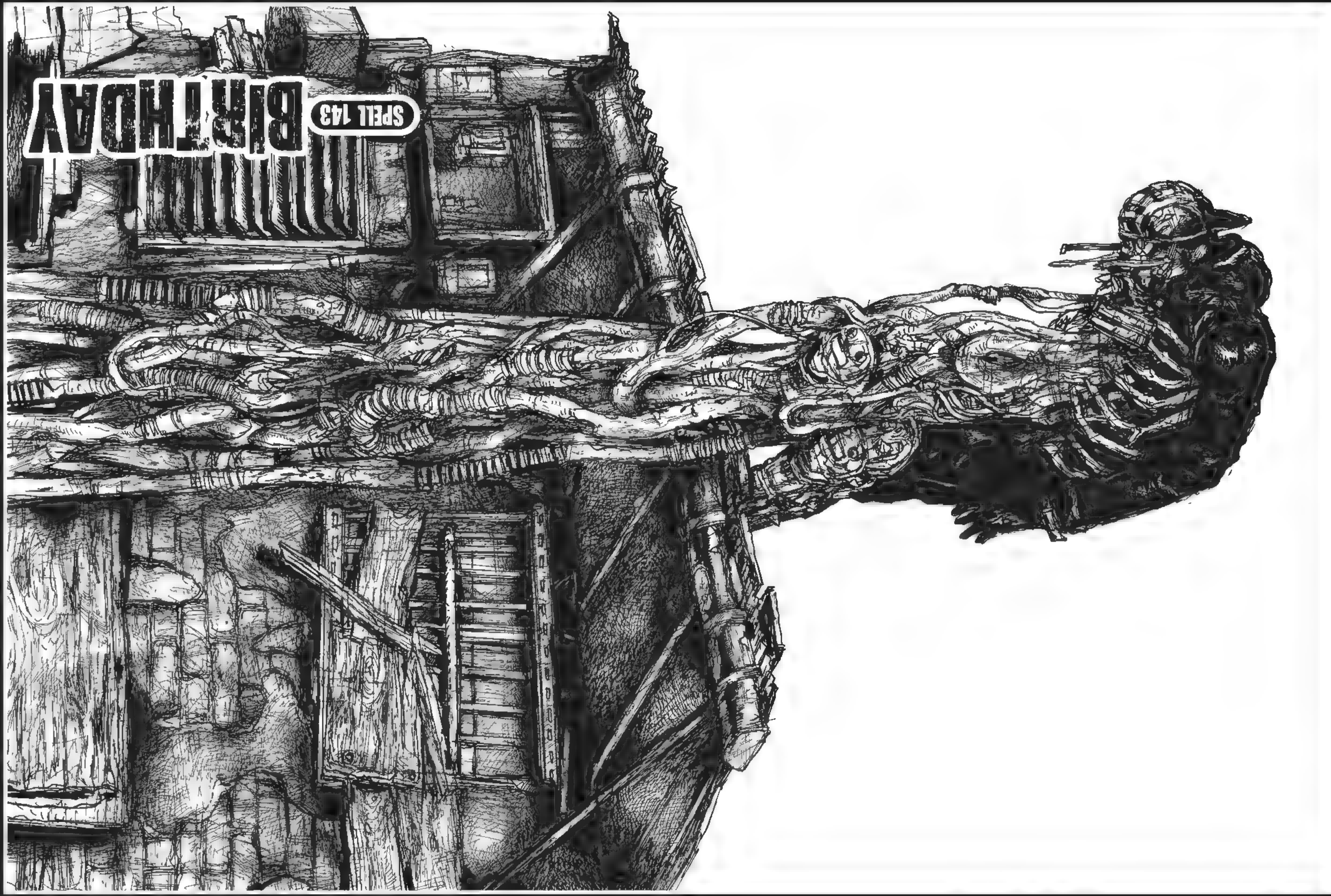
BLUB POK

CAN YOU SPIT THEM OUT?

WHATEVER THE CASE, I CAN MAKE THEM GROW INSIDE YOU MUCH FASTER.




CHOKE AND DIE!


SPELL 143
BIRTHDAY

PLOP PLOP

PLOP

THIRTEEN YEARS AGO...
I WAS BURIED IN THIS COFFIN.

YOUR FLESH WAS CHANGING, PROBABLY BECAUSE OF THE SURGERY ...

YES. I REMEMBER DOING THE AUTOPSY.

EW!

IT WAS THE MAGIC FROM THE SORCERER WHO WAS PULLED OUT OF THE DUMPING LAKE.

YEAH.

CAME FROM HIS CORPSE.

MOST OF THE "FRESH MEAT" USED IN THE OPERATION...

PRETTY COMMON, AND HIS POWER WAS BELOW AVERAGE.

...MATTER GENERA-TION IF I RECALL?

I BELIEVE HIS MAGIC WAS...

OR IF *HE* PLANNED IT THAT WAY.

STILL, I WONDER IF IT WAS A COINCI-DENCE.

MY BODY, FILLED WITH THE CORPSES OF DEAD SOR-CERERS...

BUT AS THE HOLE'S RAIN ATE UP MY COFFIN UNDER-GROUND...

NOBODY REALIZES THAT *HE* IS IN THE GROUND HERE.

HIS POWER GREW OVER YEARS AND YEARS, FED WITH RAIN POLLUTED BY THE SMOKE OF SORCER-ERS.

HE GAINED A WILL. AND A MISSION.

ALL *HE* NEEDED WAS A TOOL TO CARRY IT OUT.

WAS CONSUMED BY THE HOLE'S SOIL ITSELF.

AND AS *HE* INVADED MY CORPSE IN THE LAKE...

HIS CURSED POWER...

GRANTED MY WISH.

THAT WAS ME.

I FIGURED I'D BEEN RESUR-RECTED...

I CAME TO IN FRONT OF MY OWN GRAVE.

BUT BIGGER, OVERALL.

I WAS SKINNY AS HELL ...

BUT HOW LONG AFTER?

FOR NO REAL REASON, I WALKED HOME.
MAYBE MY OLD MAN WAS MAKING HIS SALES ROUNDS?
BUT IT WAS EMPTY.
I JUST STARTED AIMLESSLY WANDERING THE HOLE.

PROF. KASU-KABE'S CLINIC WAS GONE.

I'D BEEN DEAD A FEW YEARS.

NOBODY PAID ATTEN-TION.

THEY ALL IG-NORED ME.

URGENT

LIVING DEAD DAY

START DATE: MID-JULY
WE WANT YOU -
TO BE AN EXTERMINATOR.
WANT TO STEP UP?

HELP WANTED

LIVING DEAD DAY, ONCE KNOWN BY ONLY A SELECT FEW, WAS COMMON KNOW-LEDGE.

HIS POWER HAD INCREASED, AFFECTING THE ENTIRE HOLE.

NEW BUILD-INGS I'D NEVER SEEN.

NO ONE AND NOTH-ING.

BUT NO ONE WAS HERE.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT STORE SPRING OPENING
NEW LIFE FOR THE DUMPING POND!

COFFIN SHOP

I DIDN'T BELONG HERE ANYMORE.

COFFIN SHOP

AI COLEMAN WAS DEAD.

A SEND-OFF FOR MY HUMAN SIDE, AI COLEMAN.

AN EMPTY ONE.

YOU STOLE AND BURIED A NEW COFFIN.

JUST THEN...

I'D BECOME A SORCERER.

SO I'D GO TO THEIR WORLD.

MY HEAD STARTED POUNDING.

BUT HOW?

IT WAS *HIM.* INSIDE ME.

WAKING UP.

IN *HIS* EYES, I SAW A MARK...

AND THEN I KNEW WHAT *HE* WAS.

THAT SAME STUFF...

IN THE DUMPING POND.

WHEN I REALIZED IT...
I WAS IN THAT ROOM.

IT JUST FELT UNREAL.

IT WAS FULL OF BOXES.

I LAY DREAMING FOR A LONG, LONG TIME.

MORE LIKE A NIGHTMARE.

LOTS AND LOTS ...

OF NIGHT-MARES.

WHEN I WOKE UP...

I WAS IN AN APARTMENT I'D NEVER SEEN.

IT HAD MONEY, FOOD AND STUFF. ALL STOCKED UP.

AND...

A MASK.

AND BECAME AIKAWA.

I THREW AWAY MY OLD SELF.

I EVEN MADE SMOKE. JUST A LITTLE. BUT STILL ...

I LOVED BEING A SORCERER.

I THOUGHT THE WORLD WAS BEAUTIFUL, FULL OF AMAZING AND MAGICAL THINGS.

I WAS JUST BLOWN AWAY.

BUT AT NIGHT... THE NIGHT-MARES NEVER STOPPED.

I LIVED OUT MY DAYS...

AND STARTED LOSING MY MEMORY OF BEING AI.

BUT I FELT *HIM* INSIDE OF ME.

BUT I DIDN'T WANT TO LOSE WHAT I HAD.

I KNEW THAT THE DREAMS WERE REAL.

BY GRANTING MY WISH, *HE* HAD SHUT ME UP.

HE WANTED MORE SORCERERS DEAD, AND MORE POWERFUL ONES.

SENSED *HIS* HUNGER.

THEN I MET YOU, RISU.

BUT ...

YOU AND I AS PARTNERS MADE MY BEING A SORCERER REAL.

YOU... YOU WERE MY FIRST AND ONLY FRIEND.

HUG

I'M SORRY I COULDN'T HELP YOU.

HSSSS...

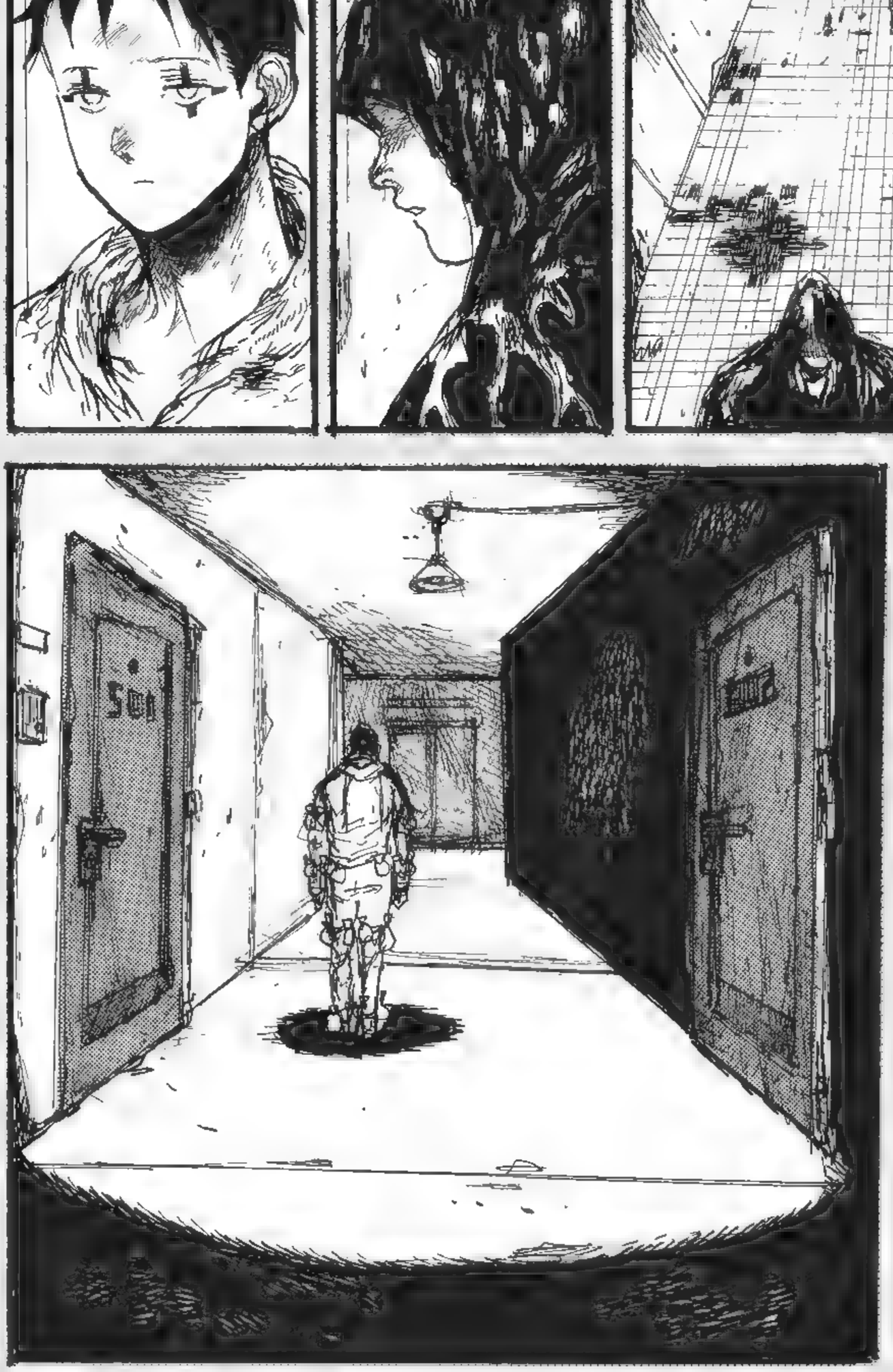
SPELL 144
PUSHING THE ENVELOPE

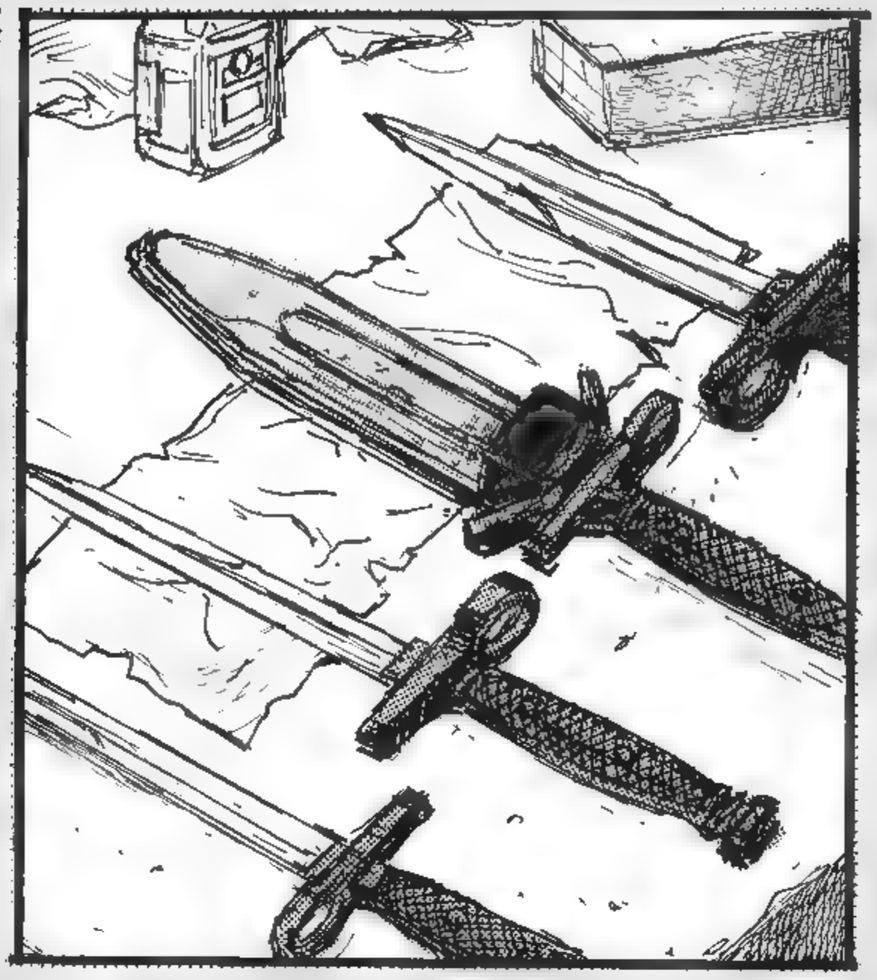
Salmanza Plain

Dokuga. What are you doing here?

THUD

Shut up and go away.
Boss... I need to know. Why did we kill that guy Risu?


Yes- sir.



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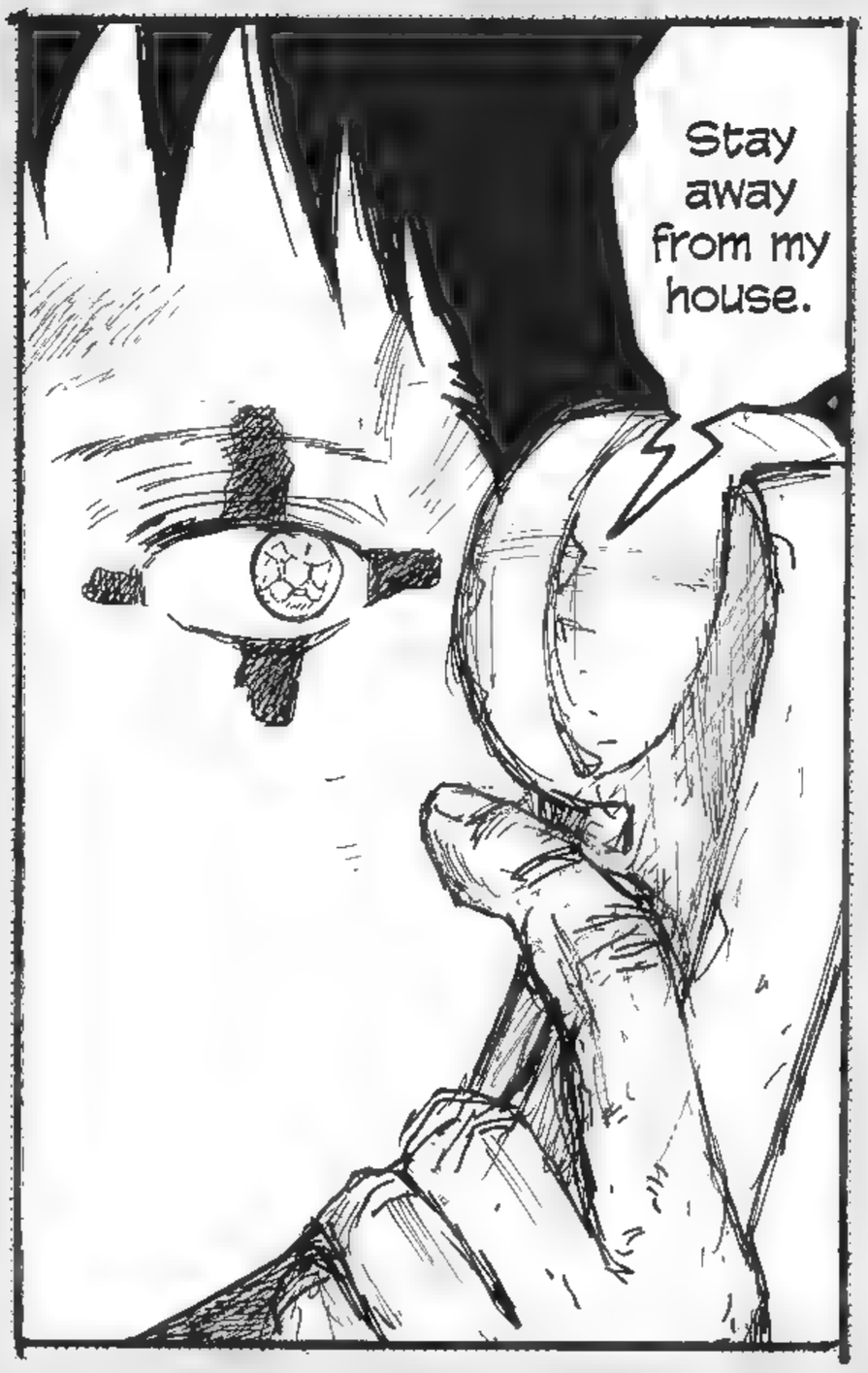
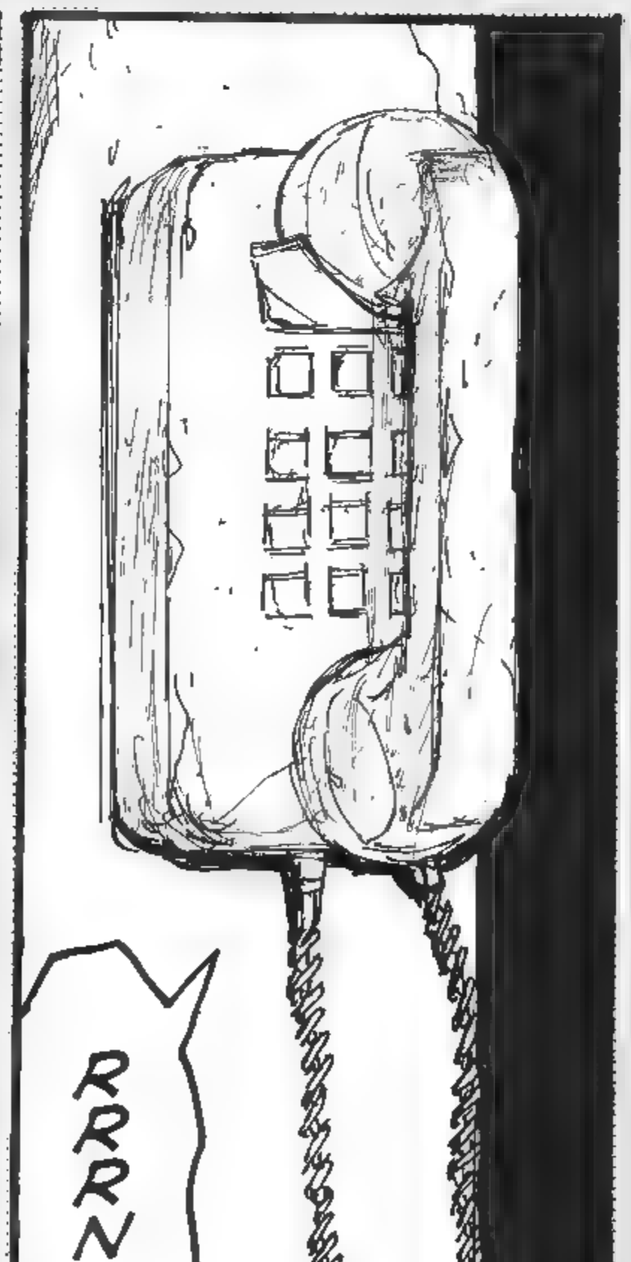

Stay away from my house.

Doku-ga.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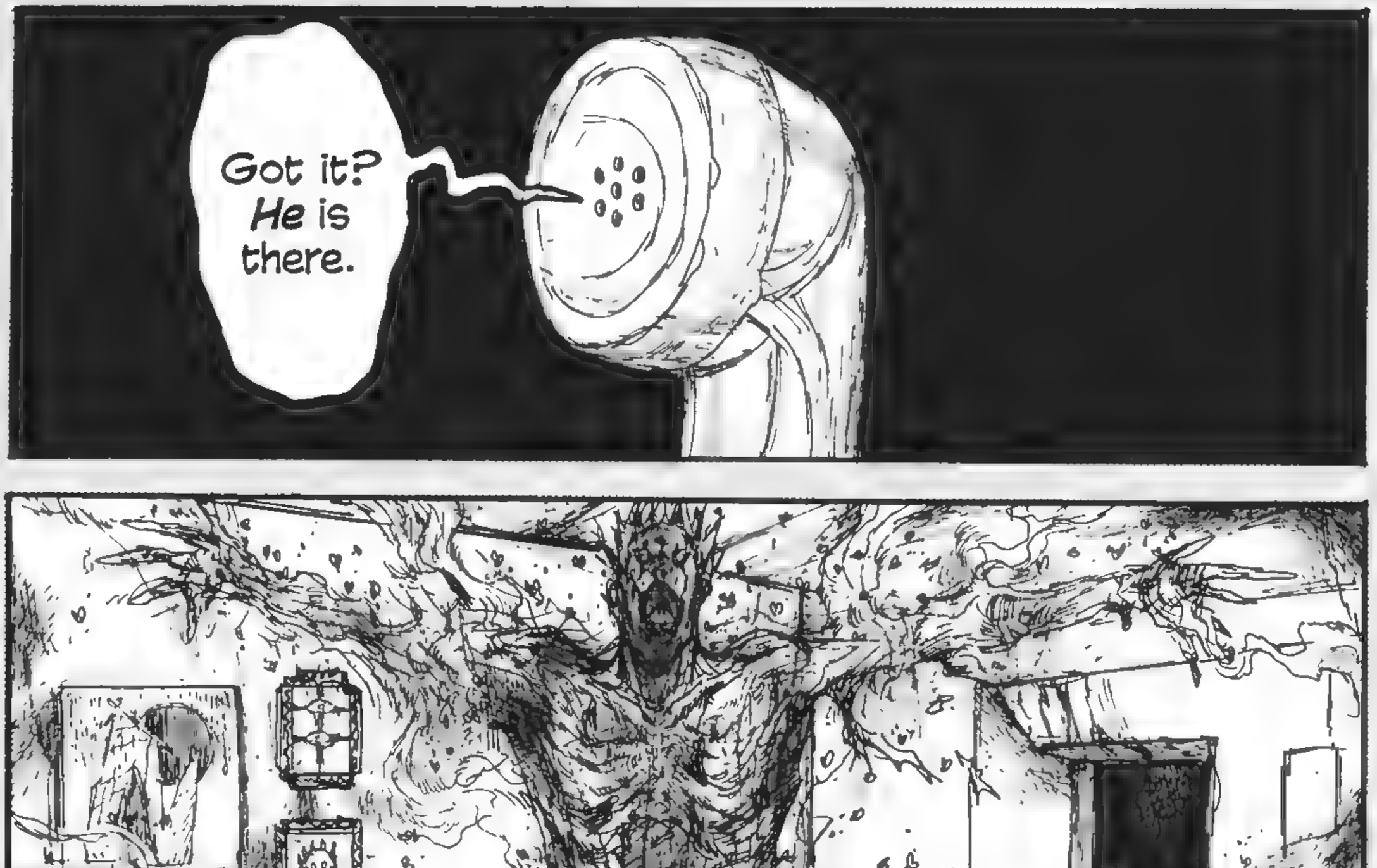

Got it? He is there.

VSSHH

One Week Later

So, this door leads to the Hole.

He attacked the black powder storehouse and killed the guards.

Stole a ton of powder, too.

Is *He* Risu's magic? A curse?

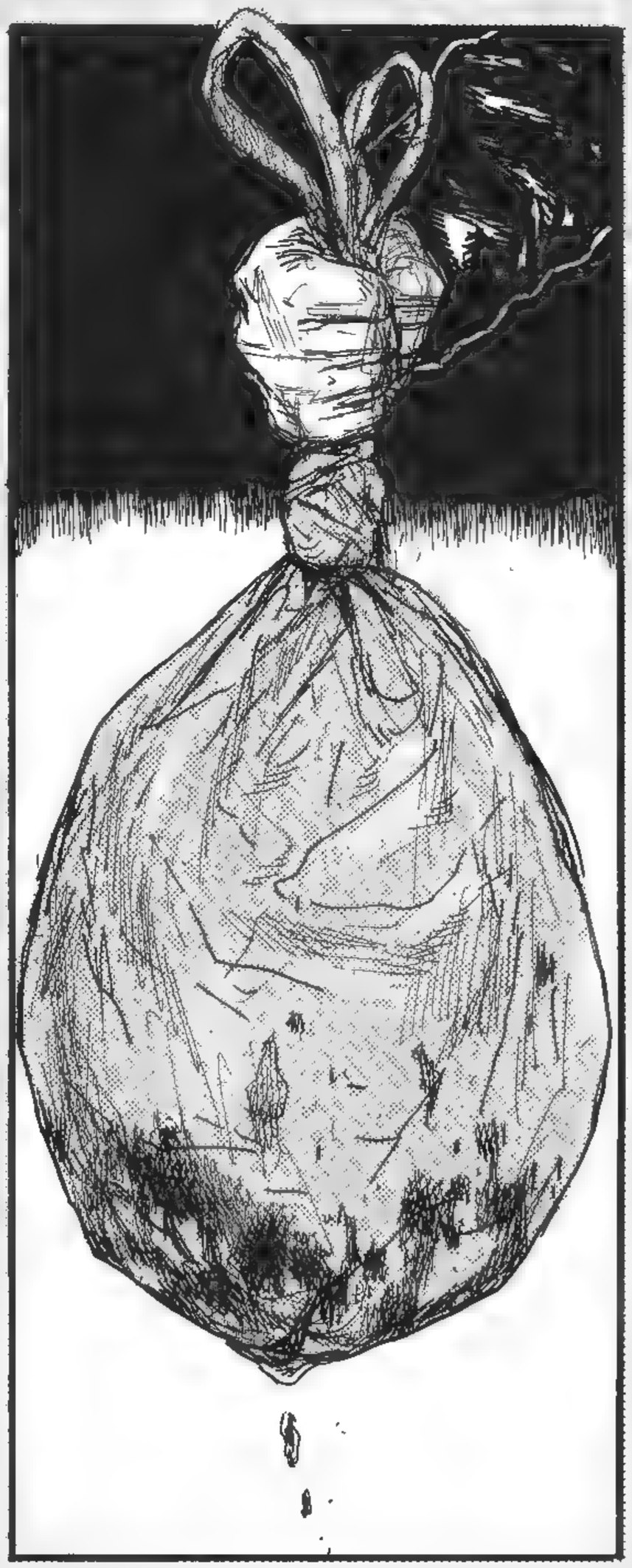
Boss. Tell me.

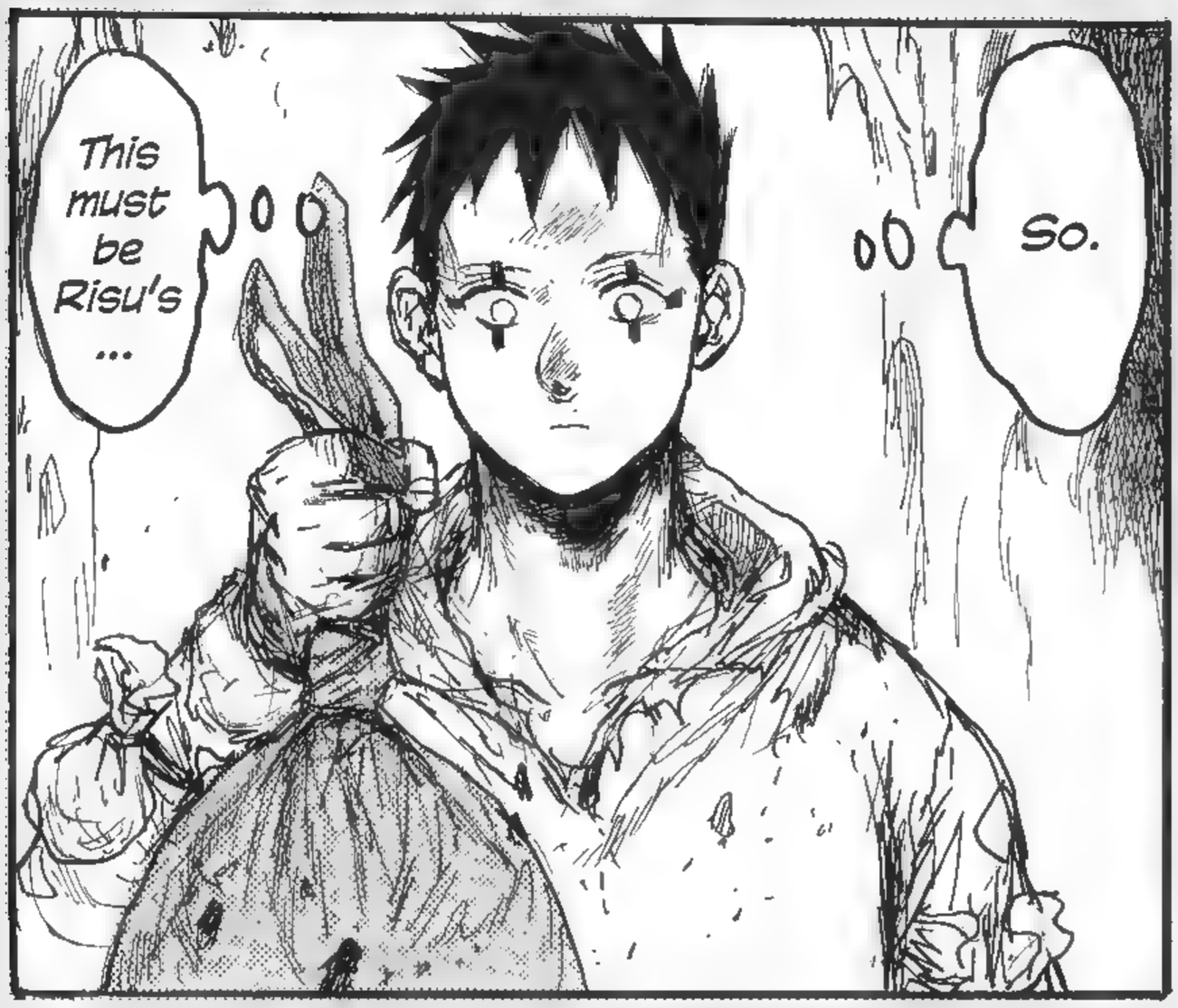
He's been telling the others Risu's ghost is after us.

Shimizu survived, and...

What is that?

I'll be back for it later. Hide it.




This must be Risu's ...
So.

I'll take care of all the cleanup.

You can count on me, boss.

If *He* shows up, don't attack.

He feeds on people's desire to kill him.

One piece of advice.

SSSS

ROARRRRR

Risu!

Gasp!

Gotta get all thoughts of fighting outta my mind...

Curse magic ...!

Boss!

Hey!

SHPPP

SQEE

I have a room in this apartment house...

I'm all worn out from living together with every-one.

Rented it to relax, in private...

8

The door to this room'll stay sealed.

Until Boss gets back.

KRIKKK KKK

TE...

TET-SUJO ...

DOKUGA! YOU AWAKE?!

THEY'RE ALL DEAD, DOKUGA!

SAJI, USHISHI-MADA, EVEN TON AN' NATSUKI!

GET JUDAS'S EAR TO THE BOSS...

WITH SAJI AND USHISHI-MADA...

ミスター・ヒューズはどこにいる!?

AH HA HA HA HA HA!

GET HIM!

DO IT, EN!

WAY TO GO, EN!

He's blowing up like a balloon!

I LOOK DUMB.

DAMN IT.

HIS FLESH IS STRONG.

POP POP POP

POK

LOOKS LIKE MY MAGIC CAN'T HURT HIM.

BUT...

ZZZ

THAT IMPER-VIOUS FLESH...

CAN ALSO BE A DOWN-FALL.

WHOOSH

WHAP

AAAH!

SQUEEZE

WHA!!!

WHA!

TWING TWING

SQUR R

WRM WRM WRM

FROM THE WEIGHT OF THE MUSH-ROOMS!

THE TUBES EX-PANDED TOO MUCH AND LOOS-ENED UP!

WHA ?

HOO

DOKU-
GA!

KRASH!

Oh yeah! Asu!

Only you could pull off an attack like that!

You're one tough customer, En!

No!. Please use your magic to fix him up.

MUSH-ROOMS!

GROW! MULTIPLY!

GIANT

KILL HIM!

SH

GLARE

YOU WEREN'T NEARLY AS SCARY OR POWERFUL AS A DEVIL.
NOW YOU CAN'T EVEN HOLD A KNIFE.

YOU DID IT!

AH!

EEK!

DOKU-GA!

DAMN YOU...

EVERY-ONE! HOLD ON A LITTLE LONGER!

DO IT, EN!

EN! FORGET US! JUST KILL THE BASTARD!

BONG

AAAH!

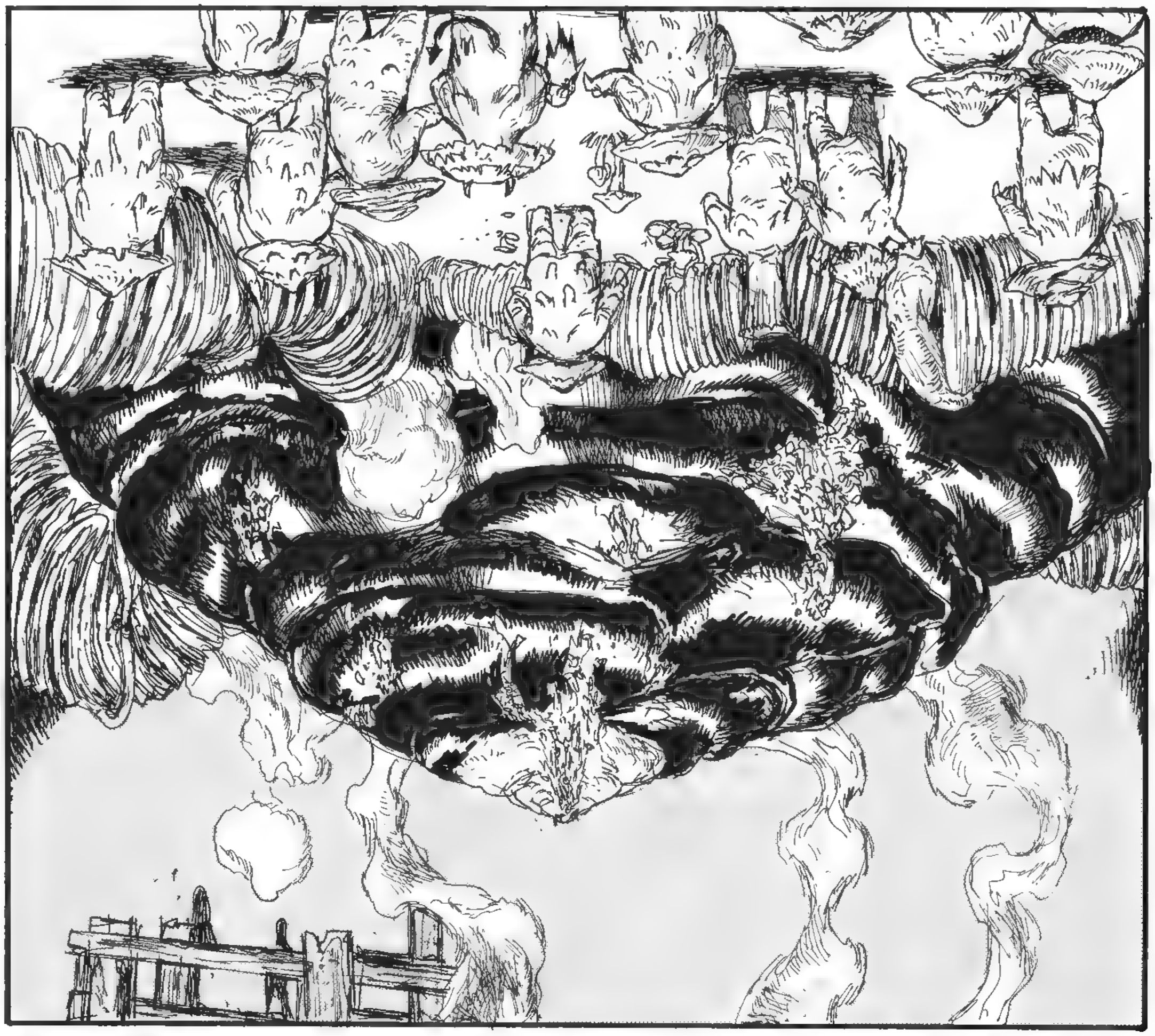
Whoa!

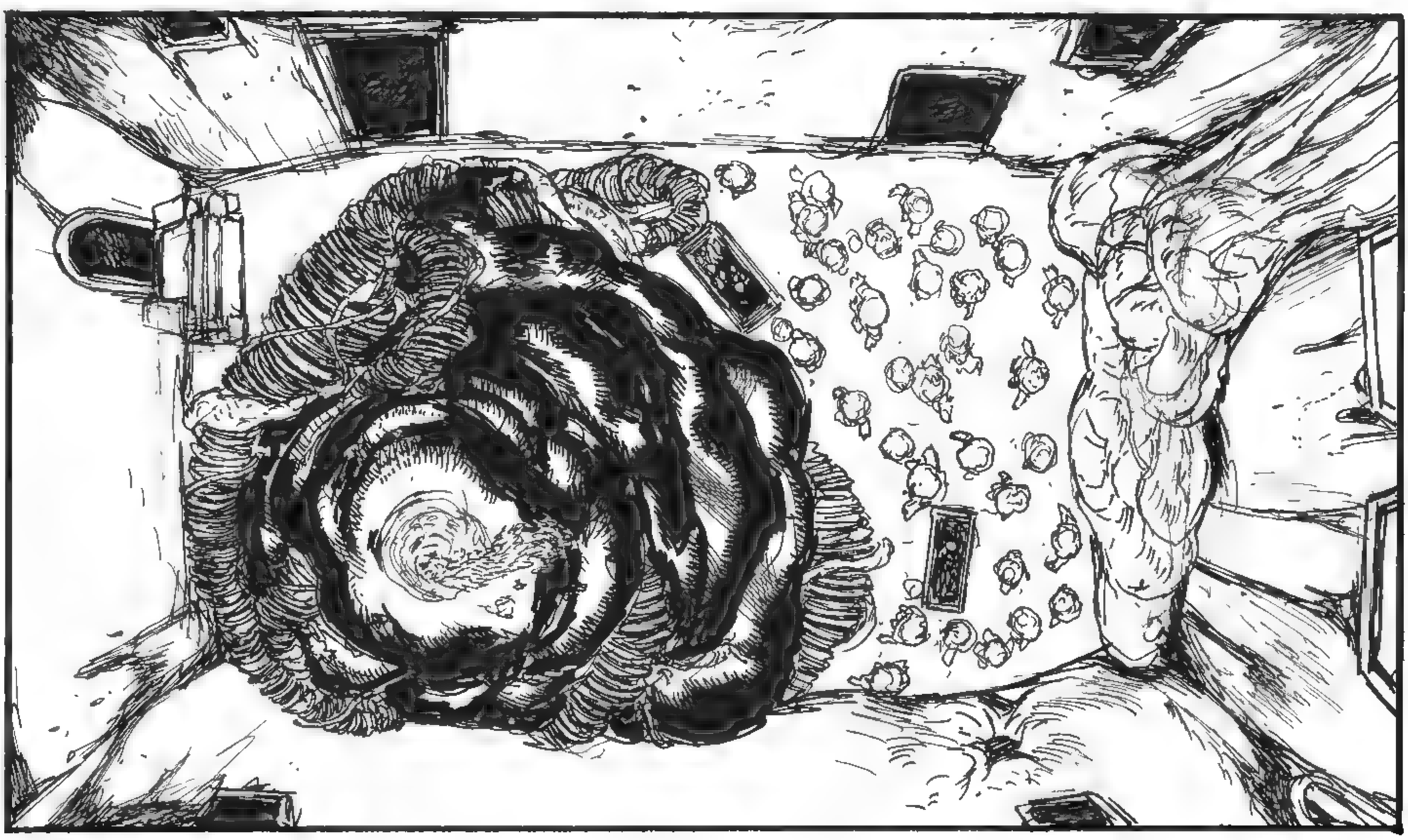
POK POK POK POK

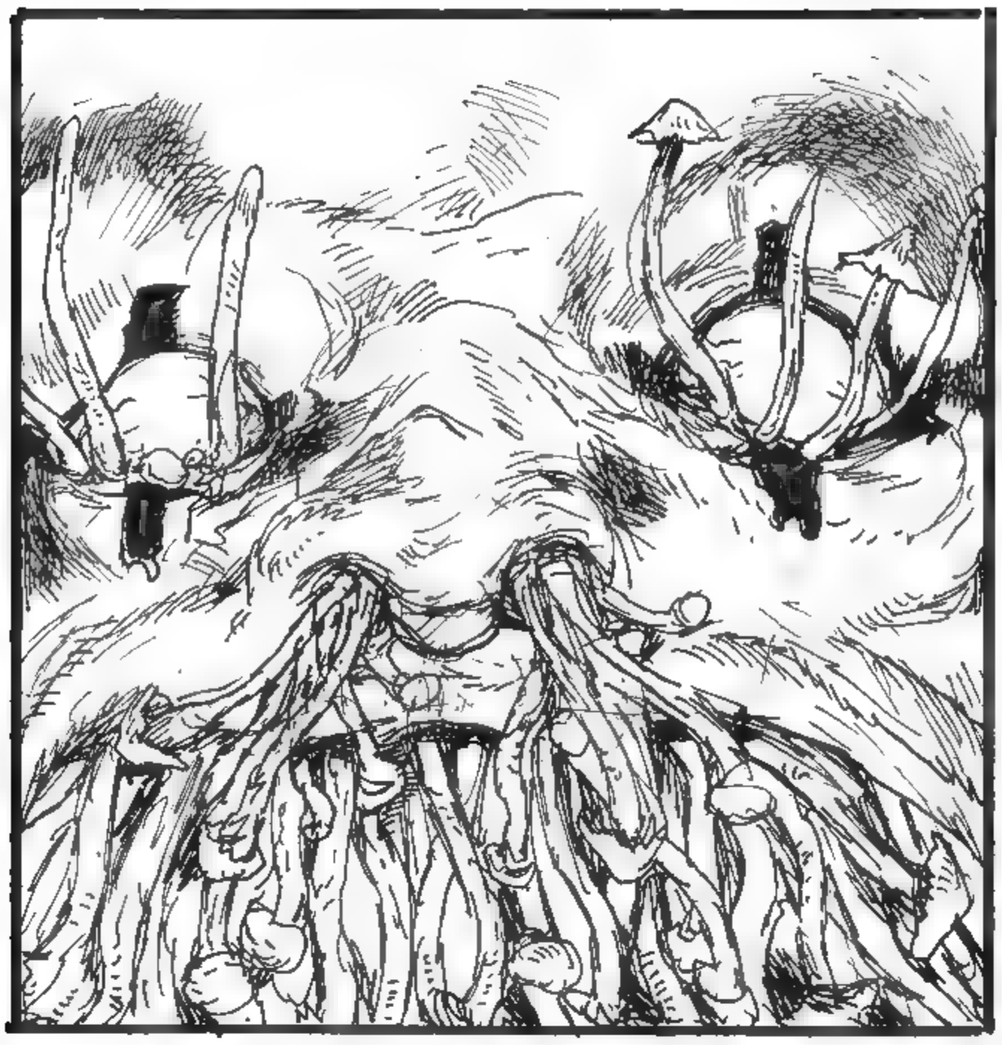
YAHHH!

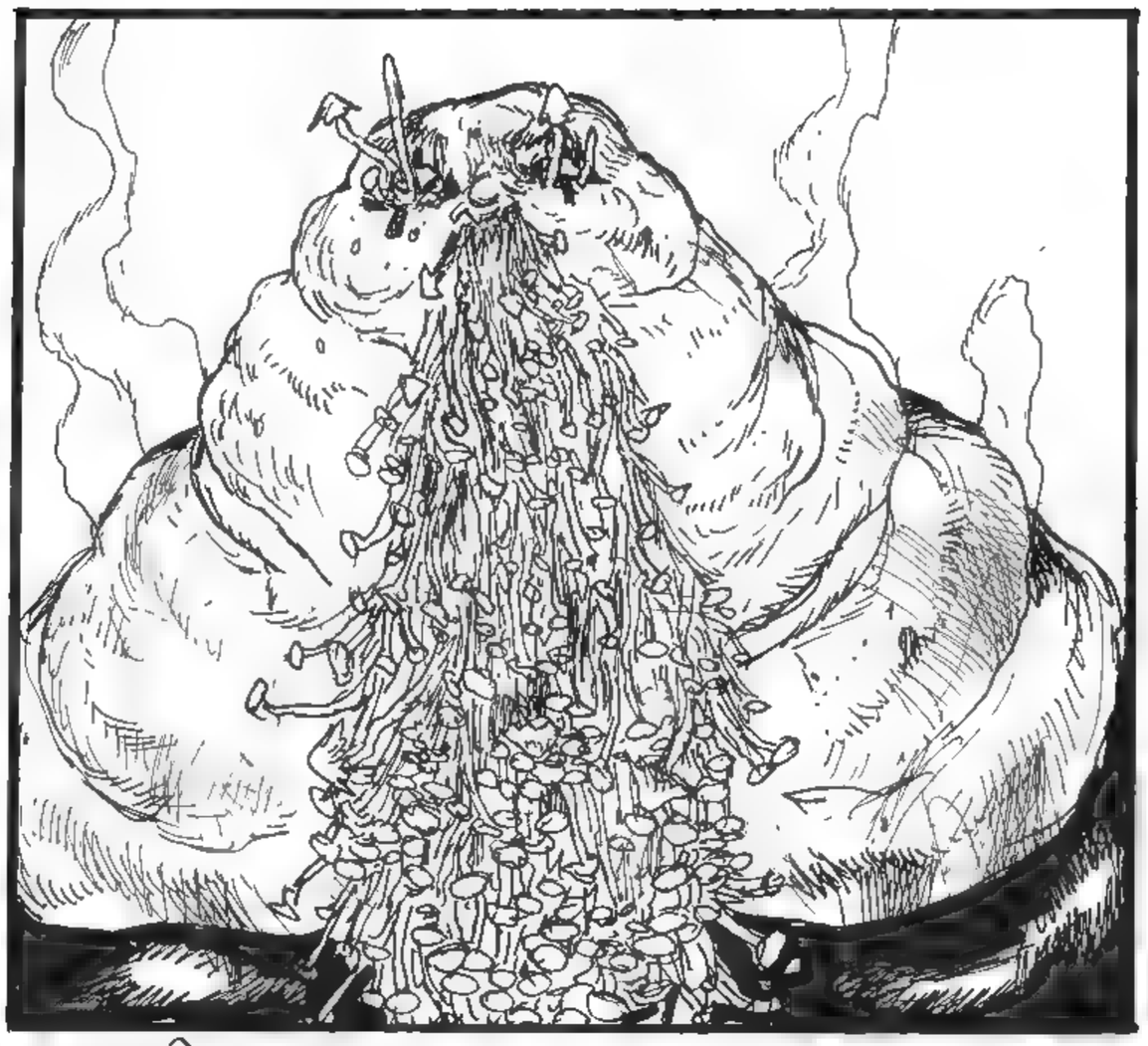
SPELL 145

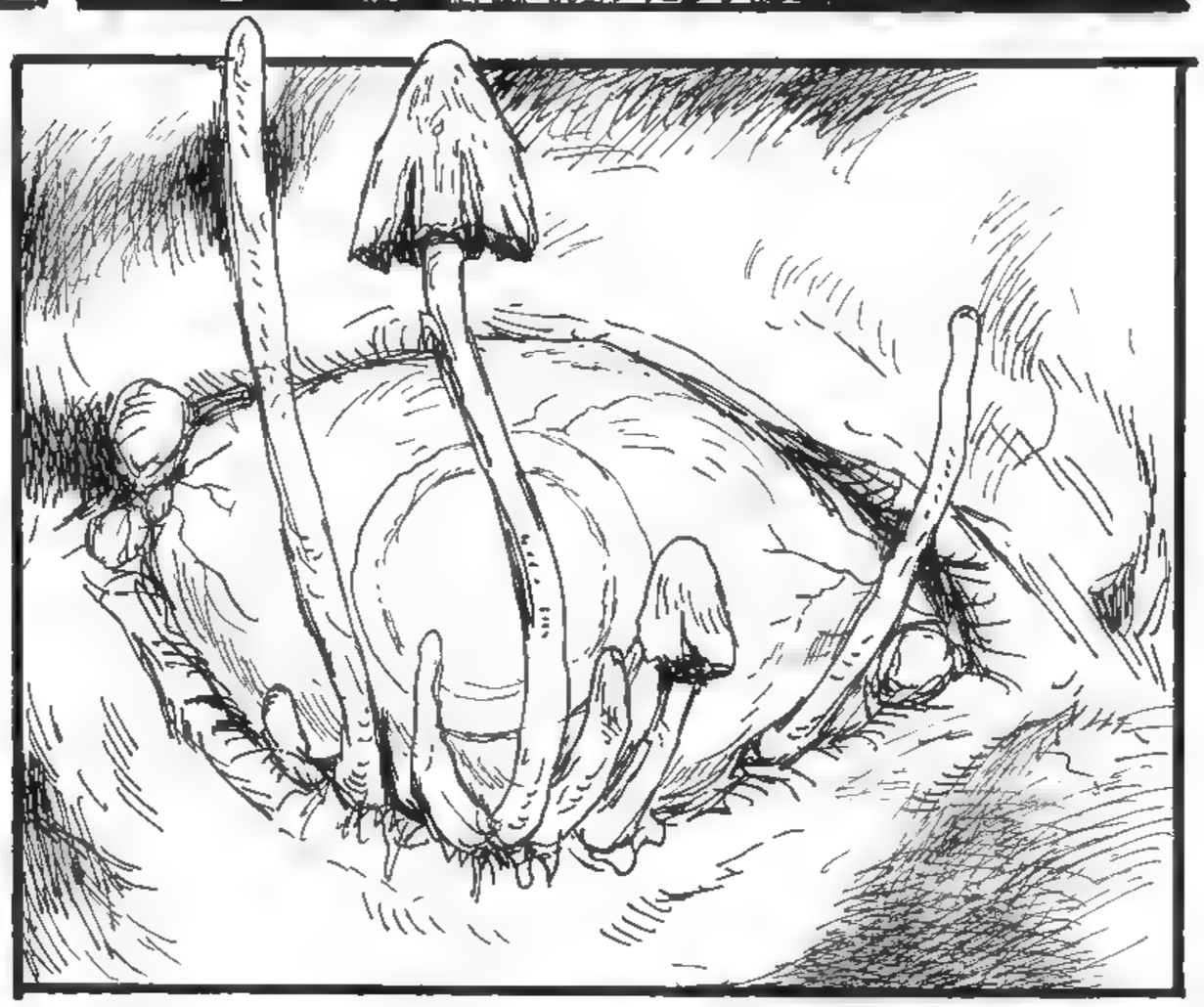
THE ROOT OF EVIL

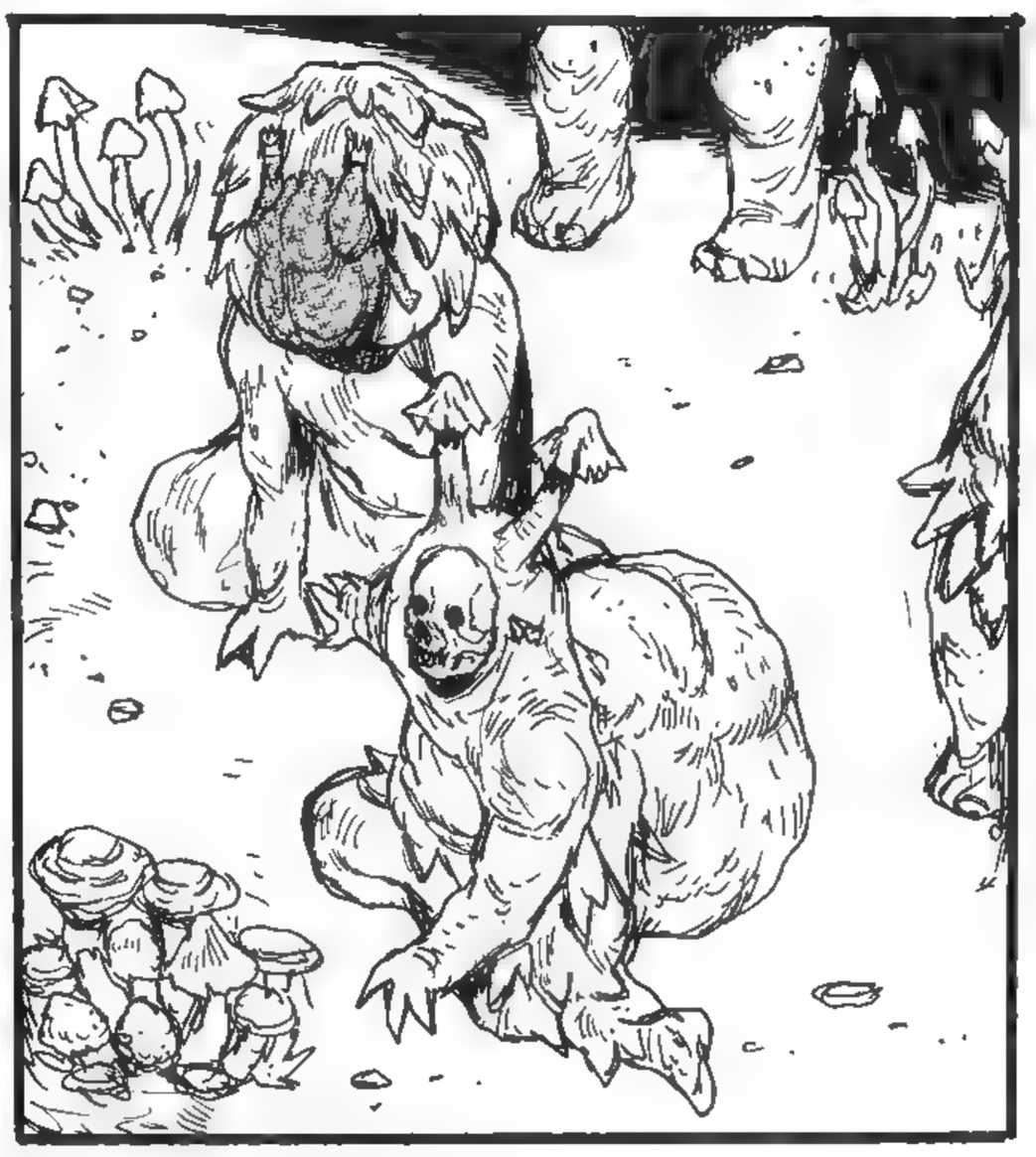












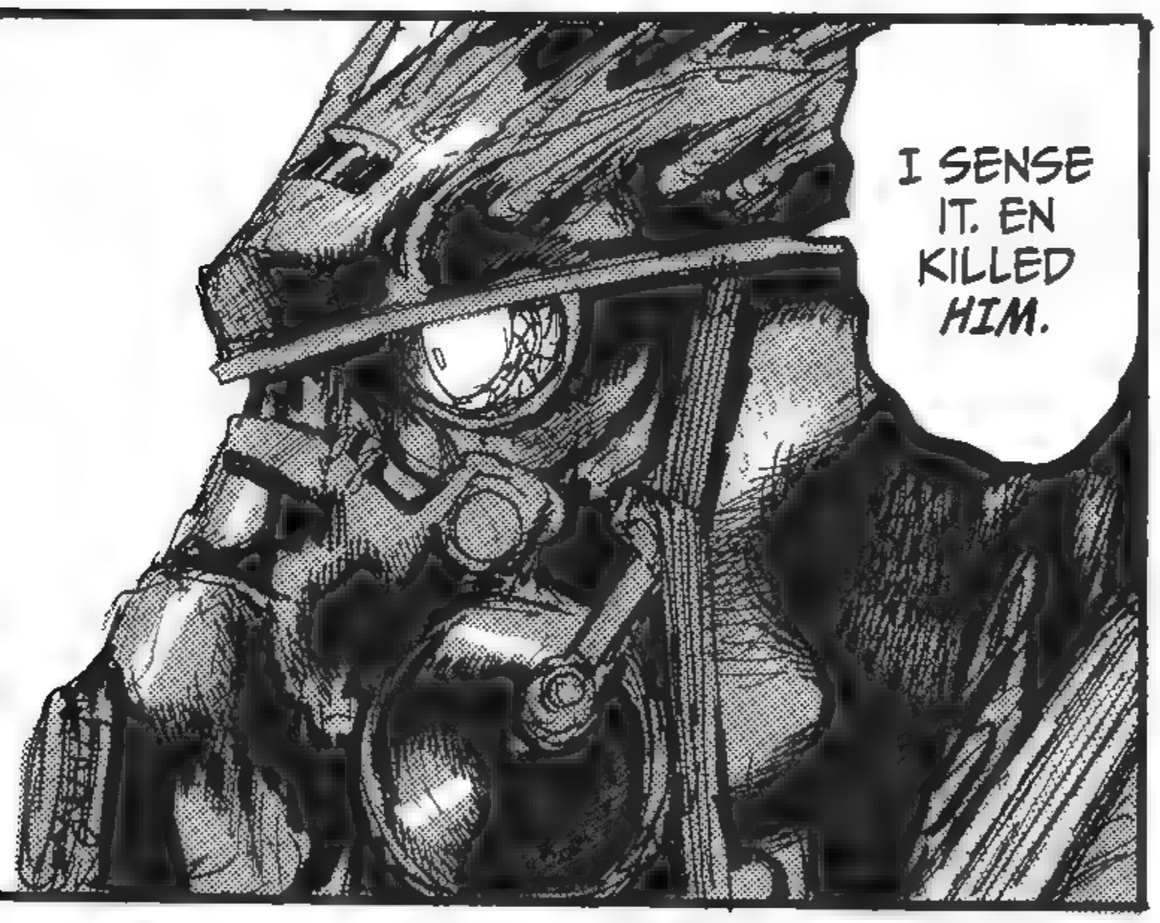
THAT DO IT?

KRIKK KRIKK

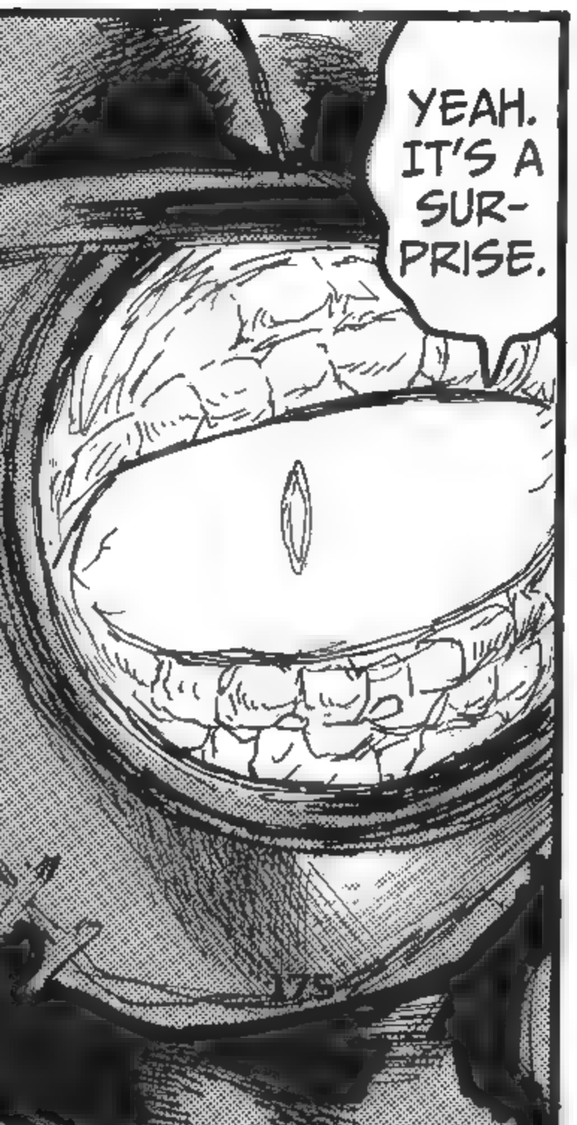
IT'S ...?

THE BOX ...!

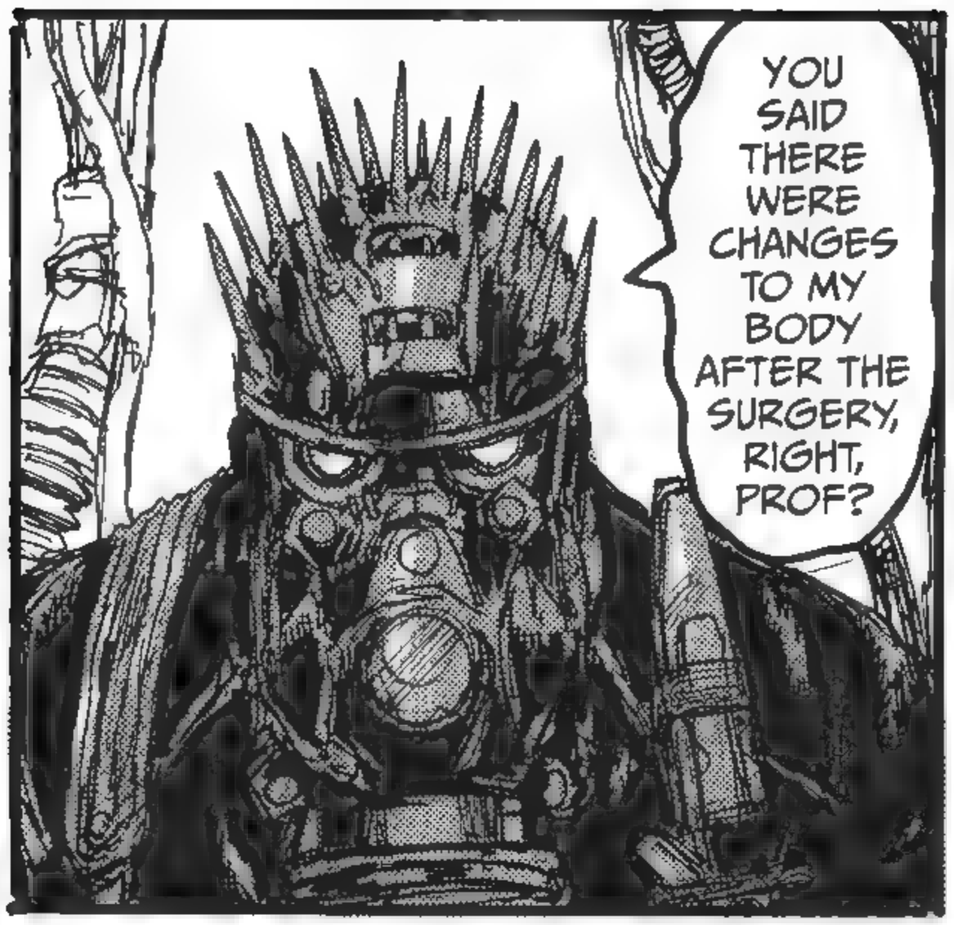
KRAK

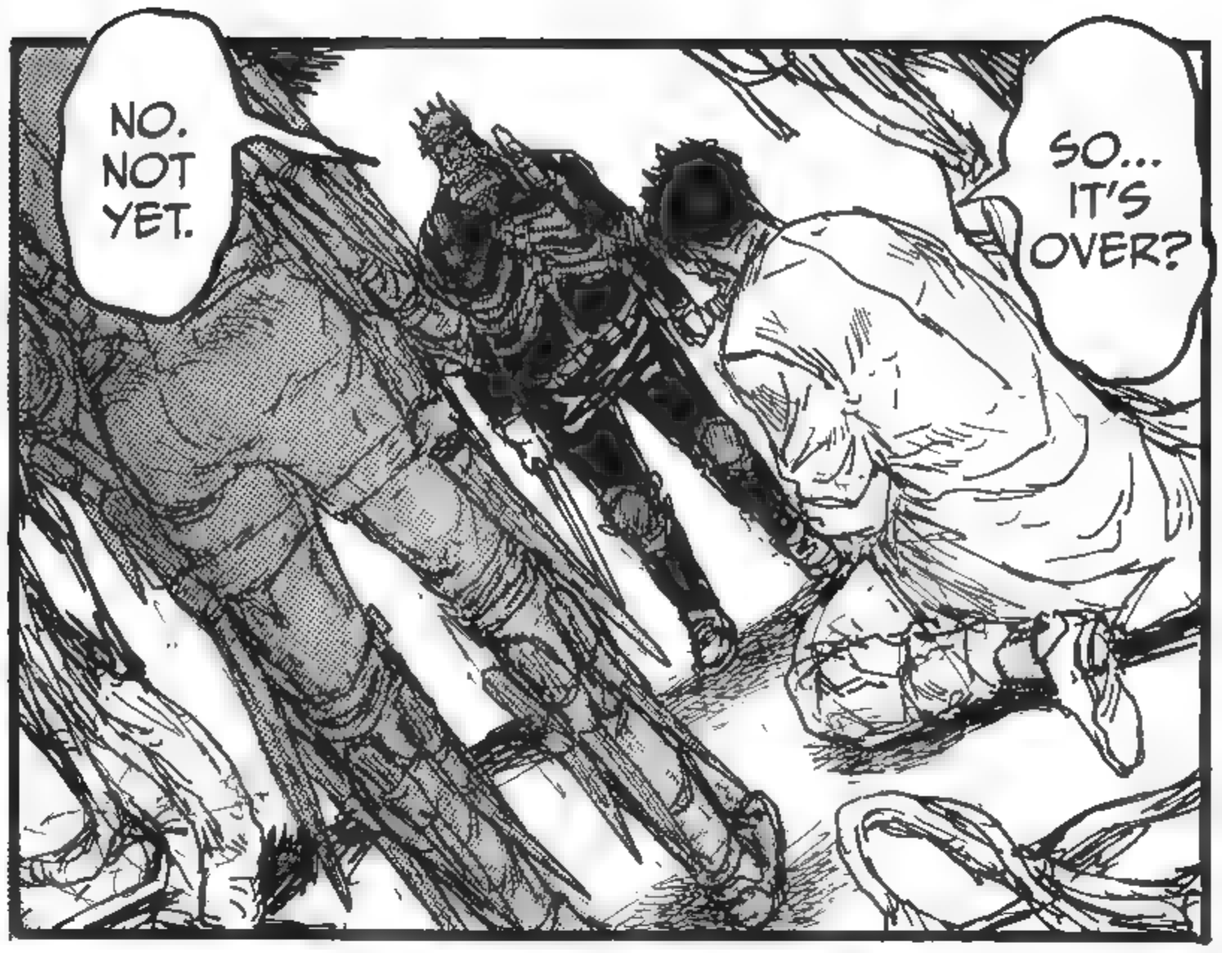

I SENSE IT. EN KILLED *HIM.*

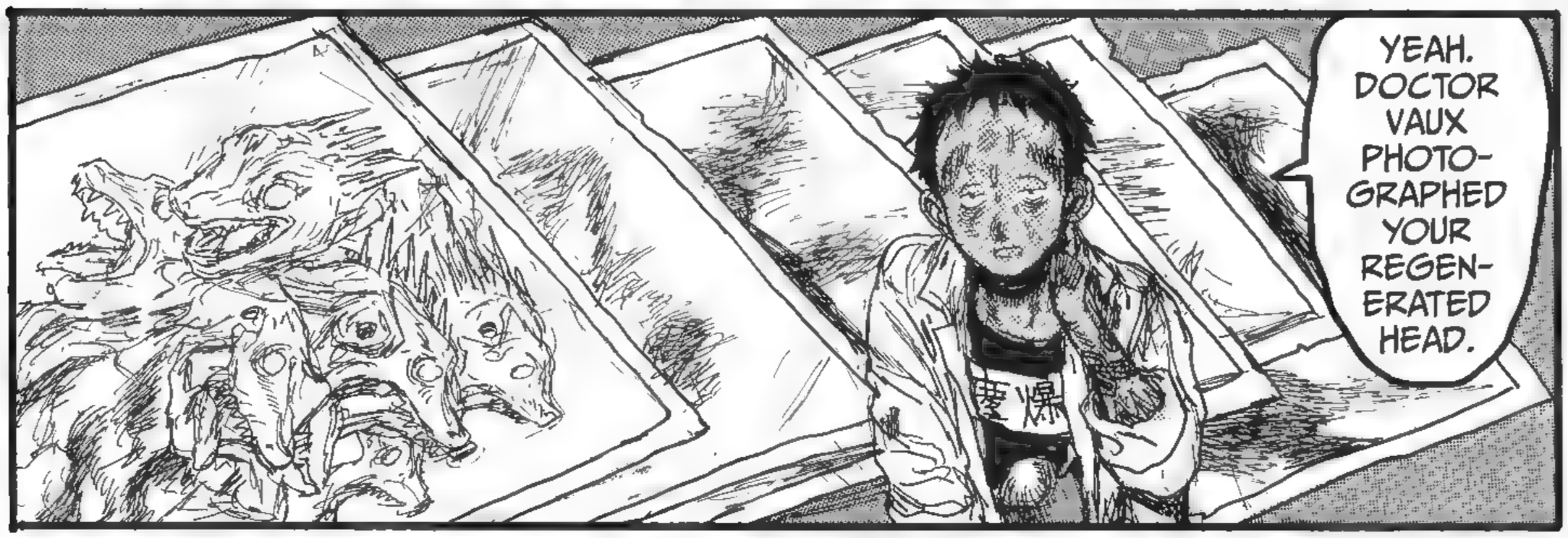
WHA?!
HE IS DEAD.


YEAH. IT'S A SUR-PRISE.

BUT HOW? HOW WITHOUT THE KNIFE?


YOU SAID THERE WERE CHANGES TO MY BODY AFTER THE SURGERY, RIGHT, PROF?


NO. NOT YET.
SO... IT'S OVER?


YEAH. DOCTOR VAUX PHOTO-GRAPHED YOUR REGEN-ERATED HEAD.

THERE WERE NINE MORE HEADS INSIDE.

X-RAYED IT TOO.

OR JUST MORE HEADS?

YEAH. *HE* GAVE ME EXTRA LIVES.

BUT *HE* WAS STILL ABLE TO USE HIS MAGIC TO GIVE ME THOSE HEADS.

SINCE HE WAS PRACTICING IN THE HOLE, HE COULDN'T HAVE BEEN MUCH OF A SORCERER.

THAT SORCERER WHO DROWNED IN THE LAKE 13 YEARS AGO HAD THE POWER TO GENERATE MATTER EXPONENTIALLY.

THE LIVES *HE* GAVE ME...

WERE THEY GIFTS?

ONE HEAD, ONE LIFE.

OR JUST MORE TOOLS TO USE ME?

ONE HEAD AIN'T ENOUGH, RIGHT?

I MEAN, IF YOU WANNA KILL LOTS OF SORCER-ERS...

WAS IT CHANCE? FATE?

HIS NAME IS "HOLE".

HE IS THE CURSE OF ALL HUMANS KILLED BY SORCERERS, TAKEN FORM.

ALONG WITH MY FEAR... AND FURY.

HOLE CRAVED THE DEATHS OF MORE, AND MORE POWERFUL, SORCERERS...

LIKE THE DEVIL TUMORS ...?

!

AN' BROUGHT PROOF OF IT BACK HERE.

FOR A TIME HE SIMPLY KILLED SORCERERS.

SO THAT WEIRD FLESH-THING IN EN'S MANSION ...

ALONG THE WAY, WELL, SHIT HAPPENED, AND...

BUT THE LIVES HOLE GAVE ME TO CARRY OUT *ITS* PLAN...

YES. A CONGLOMERATION OF SORCERER DEATH.

HOLE CONSUMED MORE SACRIFICES, GROWING IN STRENGTH.

I LOST MOST OF THEM.

LITTLE BY LITTLE...

SO... HOW MANY HEADS LEFT?

AND EN JUST GOT ANOTHER.

SO KILL HIM FOR ME. EVEN IF MY HEADS GROW BACK, I ONLY GOT ONE BODY.

JUST ONE.

AN' IT'S BEAT TO SHIT.

WHEN MY CURSE MAGIC SEALED ME UP IN THE LIZARD HEAD I SENSED IT.

SO *HE* KILLED ME. HOLE.

WASN'T TO GET STRONGER, OR FOR REVENGE AGAINST ELITES. WHAT A JOKE.

BUT IF THAT'S SO, WHEN THE CROSS-EYE BOSS WENT HUNTING SORCERERS, THE REAL REASON...

THAT'S HOW THE CROSS-EYES WERE FOUNDED.

WELL... MAKE YOUR OWN STORY, OR PEOPLE WILL MAKE UP ONES THAT SUIT 'EM.

THE CROSS-EYES NEVER REALLY EXISTED!

AT FIRST, THE IDEA WAS TO STEAL OTHERS' MAGIC BY TRANSPLANTING THEIR TUMORS.

BUT IT TURNED OUT TO BE A GREAT WAY TO ATTRACT FOL-LOWERS.

SOMETHIN' I MADE UP WHEN I WAS RE-SEARCHING SORCER-ERS.

SO WHAT'S THE BLACK POWDER, THEN?

A SHELL FOR A GHOST.

BUT I WAS JUST A THING ...

I'D FINALLY BECOME THE GREAT SOR-CERER AIKAWA.

HE WAS USING ME ALL ALONG.

AIKAWA ...

I'M... NO-THING.

YOU GET IT, RISU? I'M NOT FIT TO BE YOUR PARTNER, OR YOUR FRIEND.

RISU...

BACK WHEN YOU WEREN'T THE HOLE'S PUPPET, YOU WERE MY MAN.

NO WAY. YOU'RE YOU.

ARE GONNA END YOUR, AND HOLE'S, CURSE.

TOGETHER, YOU AN' ME...

AND TO END MY LIFE.

YEAH. *HIS.*

WE'RE GOIN' TO THAT ROOM, RIGHT?

TO ME AND THE HOLE BOTH.

I... I DON'T KNOW. HE GOT HIS HEAD CUT OFF AND CAME BACK EVEN WITHOUT HOLE'S POWER. THAT WAS A SURPRISE.

IS HE POS-SESSED BY HOLE TOO?

SO, AIKAWA... IF YOU'RE YOU, WHO'S THE CAIMAN HERE NOW?

I DIDN'T SENSE HOLE'S PRESENCE AT ALL.

BUT WHEN I WAS INSIDE HIM...

OR WHO GAVE HIS PICKLED HEAD LIFE AGAIN ...

I DUNNO WHAT THIS CAIMAN IS....

HE'S ONLY GOT A FEW YEARS' WORTH OF CAIMAN'S MEMORIES.

HE AIN'T ME OR HOLE.

KNOW WHAT'S FUNNY, RISU? IF WE'D NEVER MET...

CAIMAN WOULD NEVER HAVE EXISTED.

NOW I'M INSIDE AGAIN, BUT...

I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN, OR WHAT ROLE HE'LL PLAY.

I FEEL LIKE SOME-THING'S FILLING ME.

KLIK

MY MIND'S CLOUDING UP...

KLIK

THAT AIN'T GOOD ...

KLIK

RESPI-RATION STOP-PED...

CARDIAC ARREST.

KLIK

ALL LIFE FUNCTIONS ...

STOPPED.

KRNCH

MM

I SENSE

MALICE.

GAH!

C'MON, LET'S GO.

IF WE KILL HOLE, THE PROFESSOR WILL GO BACK TO NORMAL. MAYBE.

ITS AUTO-MATIC. WHEN I SENSE-

STOP. NOW.

HUH?

ONLY A LITTLE LONGER.

HOW LONG IS THAT KID GONNA CHASE US?

THATS

House. Bring me that human boy.

Hey, it's Haze!

Looks a little strange at the moment, though.

NOW WHAT ?

SHIT

GRAH!

NOOR

ZZZZ

Cut it out.

SMEAR

You okay, Haze?

THAT EVEN I DON'T KNOW.

DEVILS? WHY?

THEY'VE BEEN COMING HERE.

THAT'S THE DEVILS' BLACK HOUSE.

BUT THEY'RE GOIN' THE SAME WAY WE ARE.

FUFF FUFF FUFF

GLUB GLUB GLUB

PLUPP

HUH?

BLUP BLUP

BLUP

EVERY-THING'S COL-LECTING HERE...

IS SOME-THING HAPPEN-ING?

I KNOW IT...

THIS HEAD ...

RIGHT!

PLUP

SPIT

FUFF

The bath's great!

BRUSH BRUSH

WHEN I SNUCK INTO THAT UNDER-GROUND HIDEOUT ...

Who the fuck are you?

SHO!

IT'S SHO'S HEAD!

It's me. Me!

Take it easy, Shin.

BLUB BLUB BLUB

AAAA!

FSHH

NOW WHAT?

How ya feeling, Asu?

MY EYES! I CAN SEE!!

WSH

WHO'S THAT?

SOME-ONE'S COMING THIS WAY.

WELL, THE GANG'S ALL HERE.

BLUDD

BYE-
BYE!

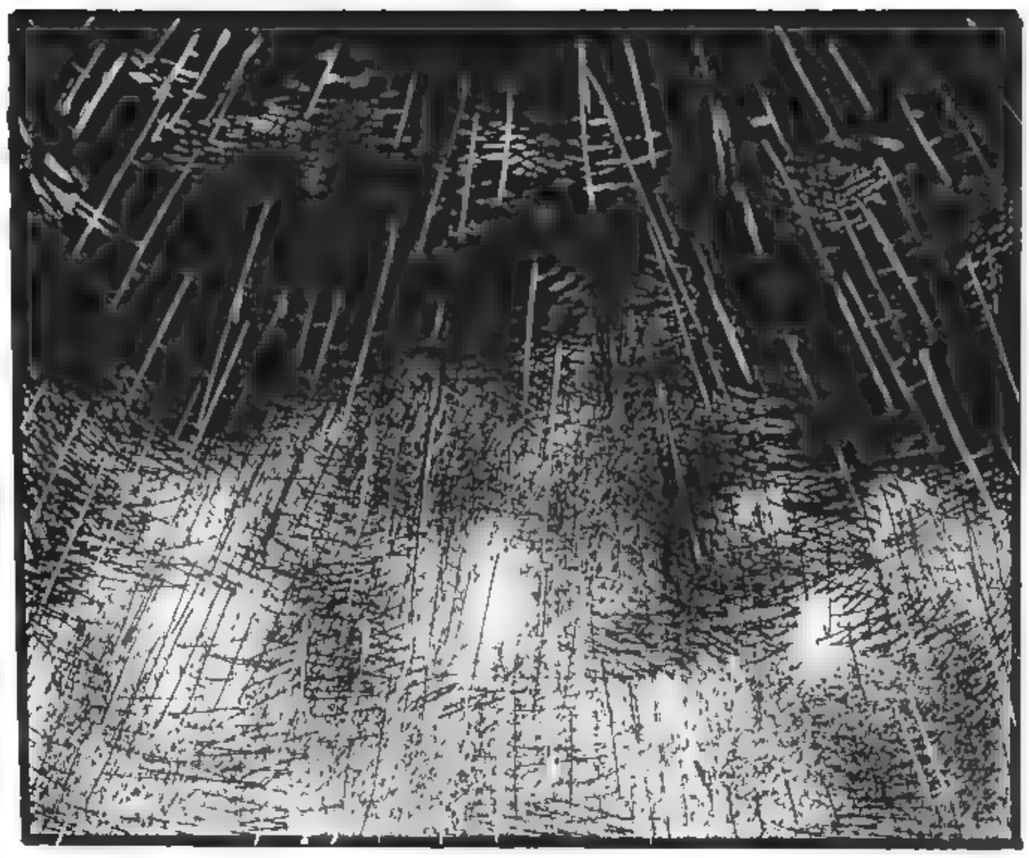
SPELL 146

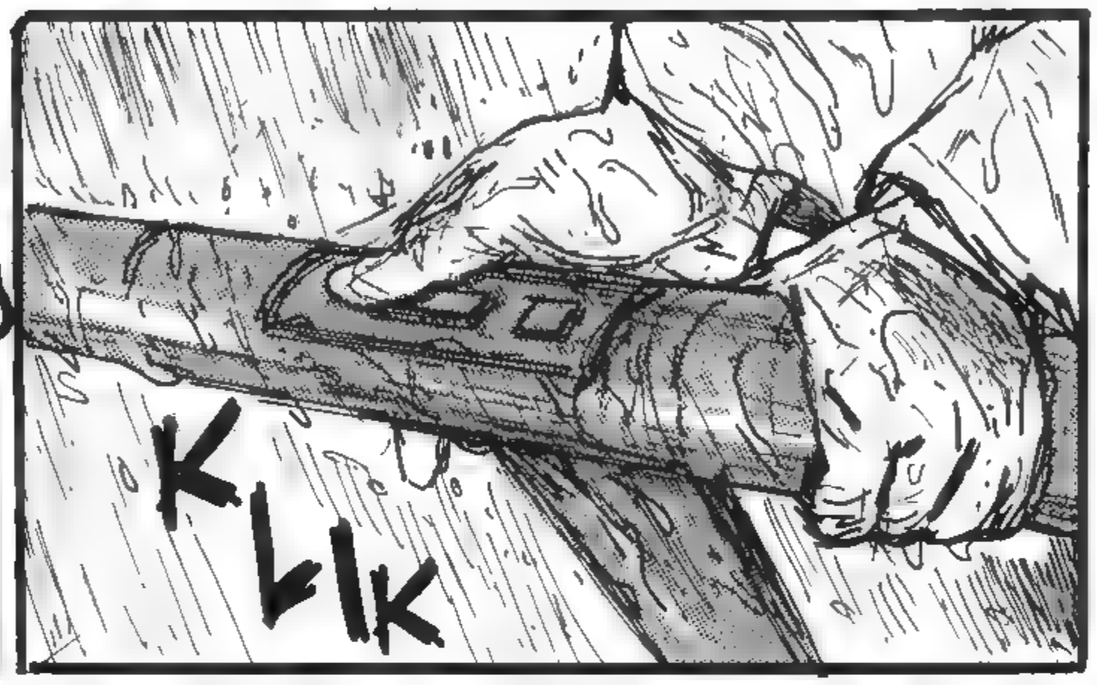
I'M SAVONARA

FSSH

IF THIS RAIN KEEPS UP, THE SORCERERS WILL BE WIPED OUT.
EVERYONE IS DYING.
EN'S MANSION'S QUIET TOO.

WHAT'S CAUSING THIS RAIN?
MMM




KLIK

WSH!

WSSH

I FEEL SO HEAVY ...

AND I HURT.

OOH!

THIS CLOUD IS LIKE SORCERER SMOKE, BUT NOT EXACTLY.

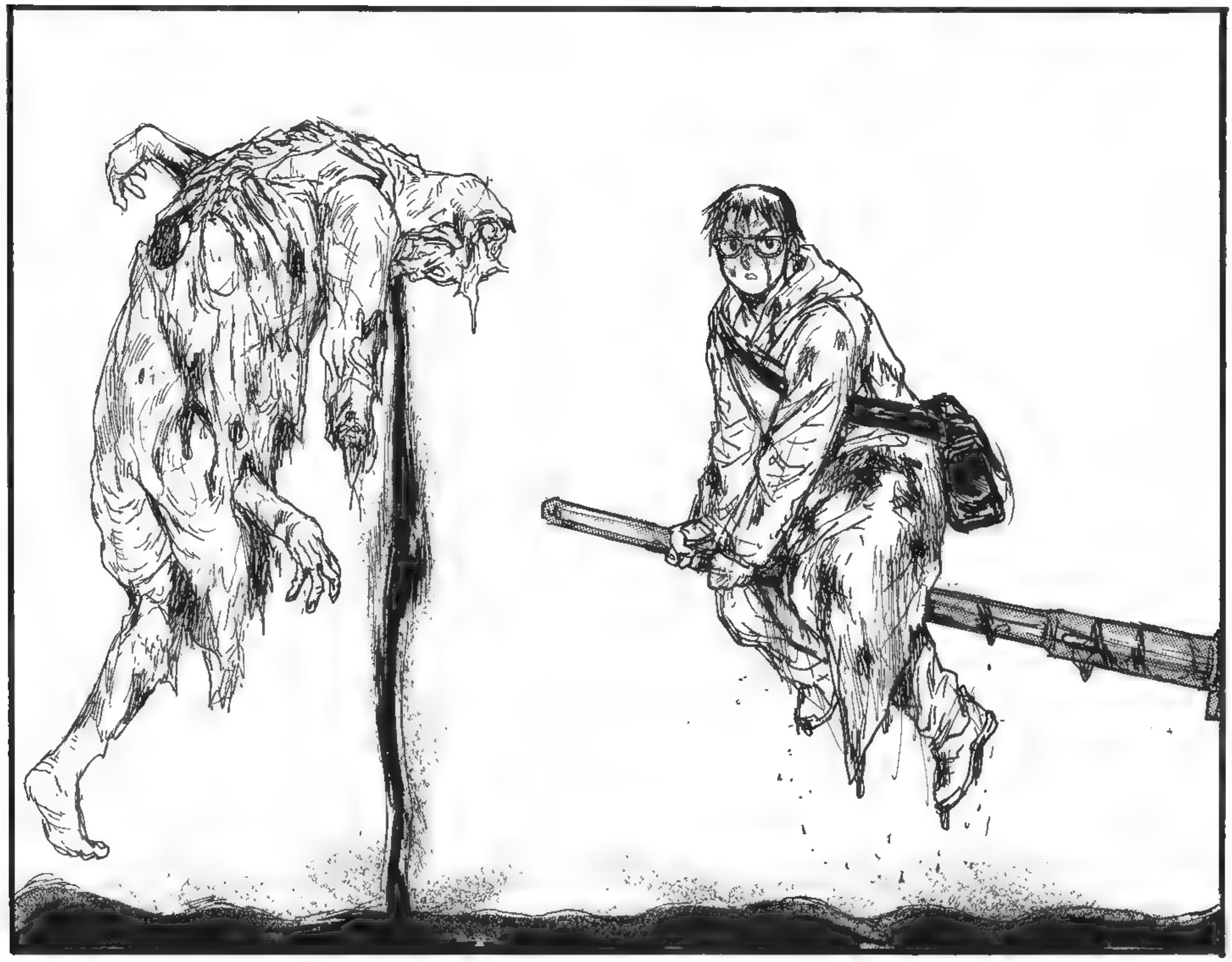
HAHH ...

HAHH, HAHH ...

BOMB

THIS FEELING... THIS SMELL...

IT'S LIKE MUD AND OIL MIXED ...
WHAT IS THIS STUFF? IS IT FROM THE CLOUD?
WHOA!



SPRIP

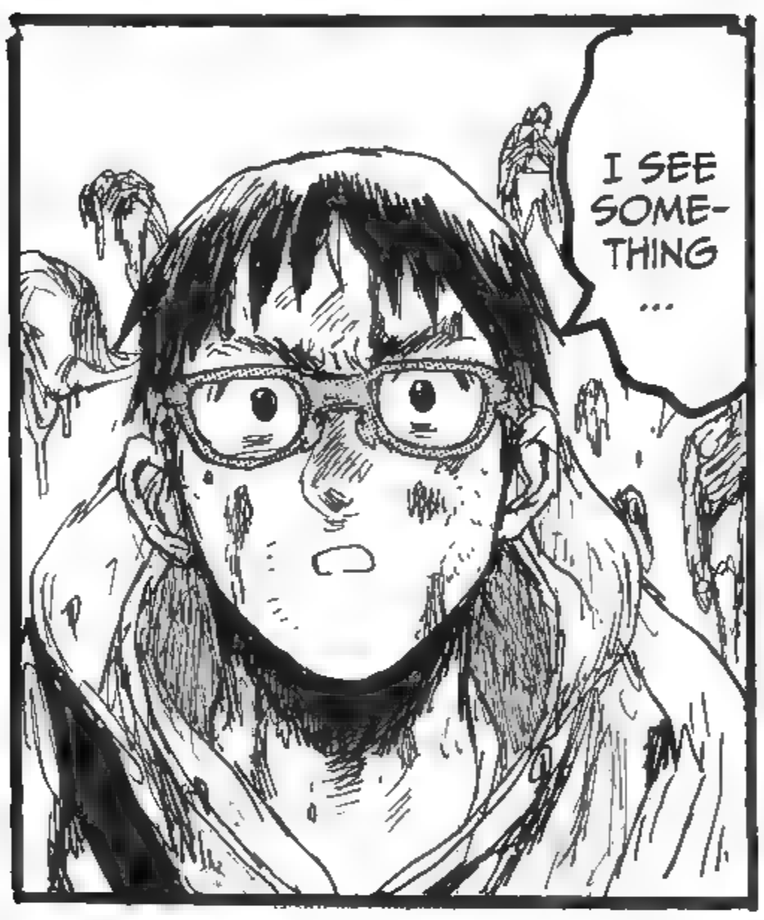
SPRI—

HE'S... HE'S FEEDING ON THE CLOUD...

!!

THEY DON'T SEEM AGGRES-SIVE, EVEN UP CLOSE.
WHERE DID THEY COME FROM?

THERE ARE TONS OF THEM! I CAN'T EVEN COUNT HOW MANY...


I SEE SOME-THING ...

!
!

A DOOR?!

AND IT'S FREAKING HUGE.

The Hole
Central Department
Store

IT'S DEEP. WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO SEE THE BOTTOM SOON.

THE LEVEL'S GONE WAY DOWN.

PRO-
FESSOR
KASU-
KABE...

GYUTCH!

AND
THE
BOSS!

AND
NIKAIDO
...

WHAT'S
GOING TO
HAPPEN
NOW?

WHO'S HE?

HIM!

THEM!!

No! They aren't ene-mies.

MORE ENEMIES? I'LL MUSH-ROOM THEM.

!!

It's Caiman and Risu!

FOOSH

BLUBB BLUB BLUB BLUB

GRAB

AAAAH!

IT'S EN!

BOSS!

TMP

SHEE

THAT WAS CLOSE ...

EN!!

HIYA, ALL.

THEIR HEADS ...!

NO NEED FOR MUSH-ROOMS ANYMORE.

SPOP

WHEW.

THE MUSHROOM MEN ARE DISAP-PEARING.

KRISH

KRSH

SO YOU'RE OKAY, NOI. I'M SORRY FOR WHAT I DID.

WATER UNDER THE BRIDGE, BOSS!

Don't go relaxing just yet, En.

SO THERE *WERE* DEVILS BEHIND THAT GLASS!

A... DEVIL!

CHIDA-RUMA ...!

Enter-tain us a bit longer.

Just hang out there for a minute.

A BLACK HOUSE, DEVILS... WHAT'S IT MEAN?

What the hell is this?

GRRR

WHAT'S THIS MEAN? MAYBE THE CROSS-EYE BOSS ISN'T DEAD YET?

NIKAIDO! THE DEVILS ARE PLAYING SOME HORRIBLE GAMBLING GAME!

QUIVER

QUIVER

EXACTLY- HE ISN'T DEAD YET.

NOT UNTIL WE KILL HIS LAST HEAD.

SNIK

HSSSSSS

THE "STORE KNIFE!"

IT... IT CAN'T BE!

SHKKK

KRIK

BOOM

BRM

EW.

SPLOD

SPLEP SPLEP SPLAP

IF THAT REALLY IS THE STORE KNIFE, THERE'S NOTHING IT CAN'T CUT.

YEAH ...

HE JUST CHOPPED HIS HEAD OFF?

FOOSH

BLUP

HERE IT COMES!

HUH?

ZOOP

ZP

THE FINAL HEAD'S ...

SO THAT'S HOW IT IS.

BLUP

WHATS HAP-PENING ?

GH-GHOST!

RISU ...

HA

SHFF

THE LAST HEAD ...

WHA?

WHAT THE?

PEEP

IS MY HEAD.

CAI-MAN!

H-HEAVY!

THUMP

NGH.

Nikaido, dummy!

NO WAY!

WHO'RE YOU?

I FINALLY UNDER-STAND.

I'M PART OF IT TOO.

MY FIRST HEAD... AI COLE-MAN'S HEAD.

AIKAWA!

RISU. KILL ME QUICK. IT'LL END YOUR CURSE.

I CAN'T MOVE...

I WON'T RESIST. DO IT.

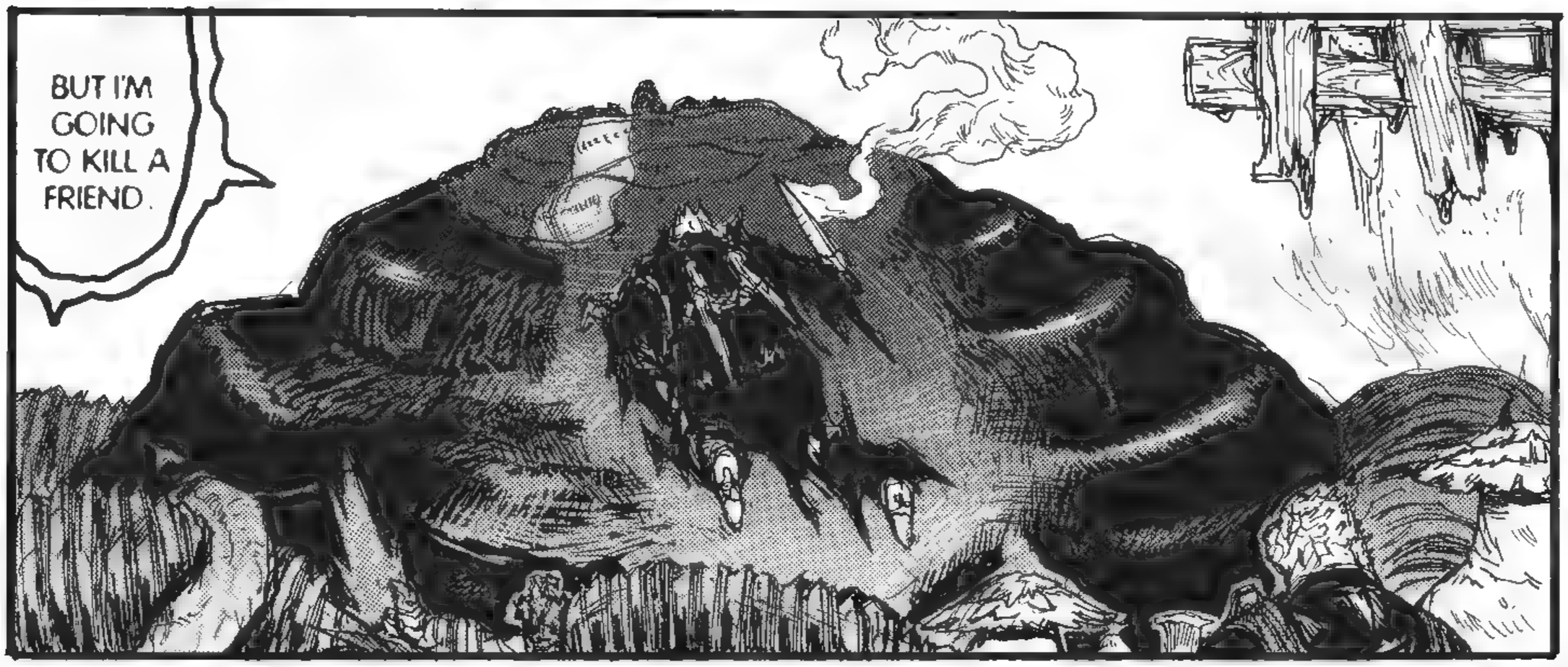
YOU *HAVE* TO KILL ME, RISU. I WANT YOU TO.

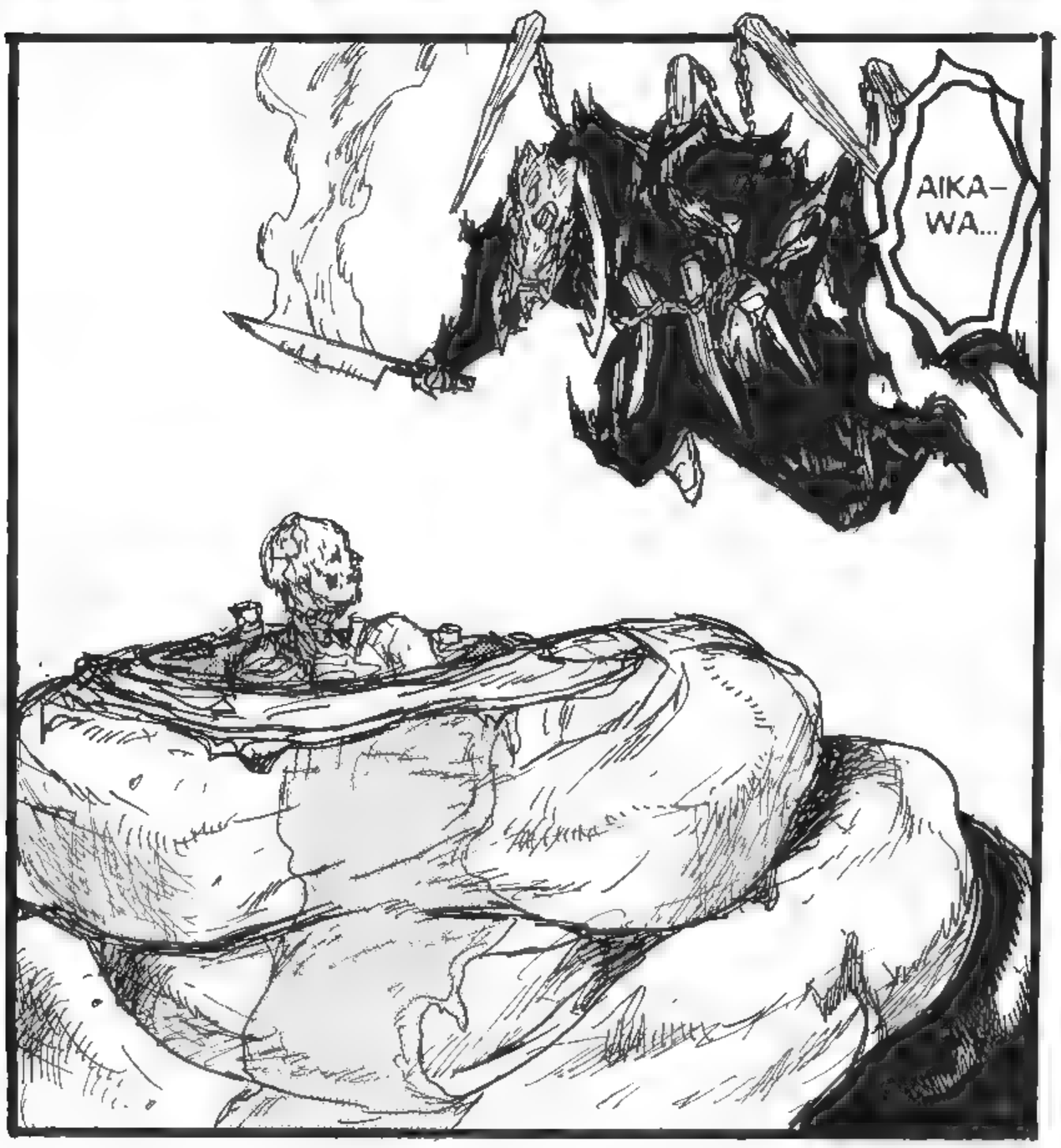
HUH?

GIMME THAT KNIFE.

HE'S NO-THING TO YOU ...

SURE, BUT IT'S HEAVY AS FUCK.


BUT I'M GOING TO KILL A FRIEND.


AIKA-WA...

ME EITHER.
NO IDEA HOW THIS IS GONNA PLAY OUT.

THERE'S NO WAY TO HELP YOU?

MAKE IT QUICK, OK?

BRING IT ON.

SPIN

JUST END IT, ALL OF IT.

WHIRL

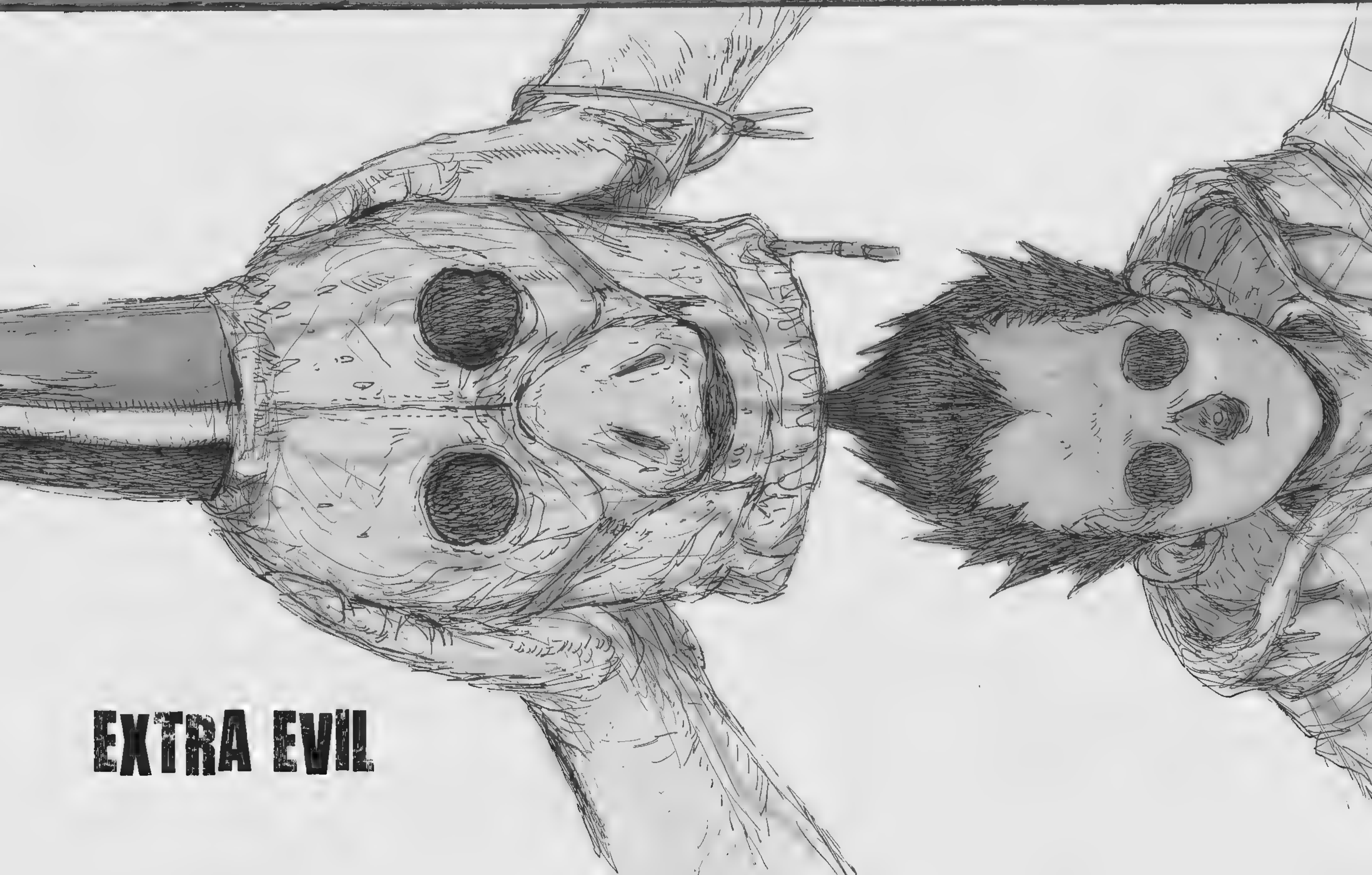
FLIP

RISK

SEE YA.

SEE YA.

SKK


EXTRA EVIL

En's Mansion

A DEVIL TV ANTENNA.

WHAT THIS?

IT'S SUPER EXPEN-SIVE.

IT'S A PLANT THAT PICKS UP BROADCASTS FROM HELL.

THAT'S HOW WE CAN GET TV PROGRAMS FROM HELL HERE IN EN'S MANSION.

ITS ROOTS TUNNEL DEEP UNDER-GROUND TO GET THEM.

HOW MUCH?

WHAT WE KNOW: EVERYBODY LOVES TV.

WELL...

YOU DON'T HAVE ONE EITHER.

OF COURSE NOT. YOU NEED A SPECIAL TV SET WITH A TUNER FOR DEVIL-CHANNELS.

MY TV DOESN'T SHOW DEVILS' PRO-GRAMS.

SO THICK!

A STANDARD 4:3 TV!

SO OLD!

CHOTA BOUGHT A NEW TV AND GAVE ME HIS OLD ONE.

YIKES!

SQUIRM

WATCH OUT. IT'S ALIVE.

I SAVED UP A TON AND BOUGHT A CABLE.

80,000 N for a three-meter cable.

I BROUGHT SNACKS.

NOW I CAN TALK ABOUT DEVILS' TV SHOWS WITH OTHER SORCER-ERS!

HERE'S THE TV GUIDE CHOTA GAVE ME.

ALL SET!

IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT THESE MYSTERIOUS BEINGS!

SORCERERS ALL ADMIRE THE DEVILS!

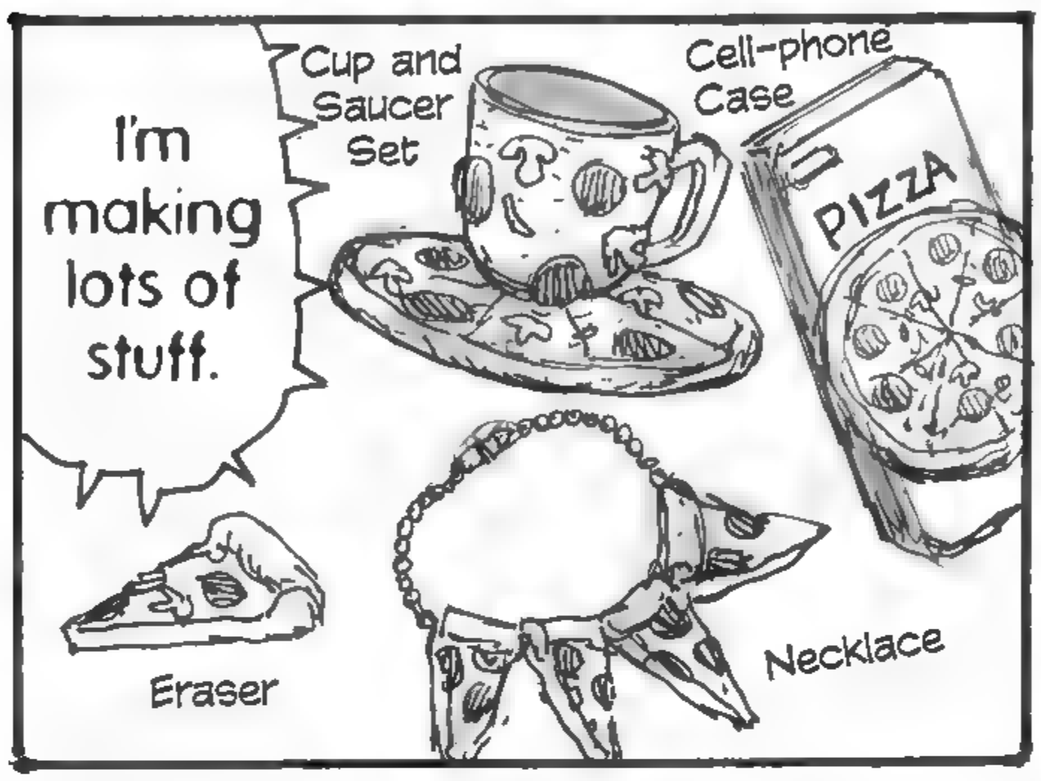
BOOP

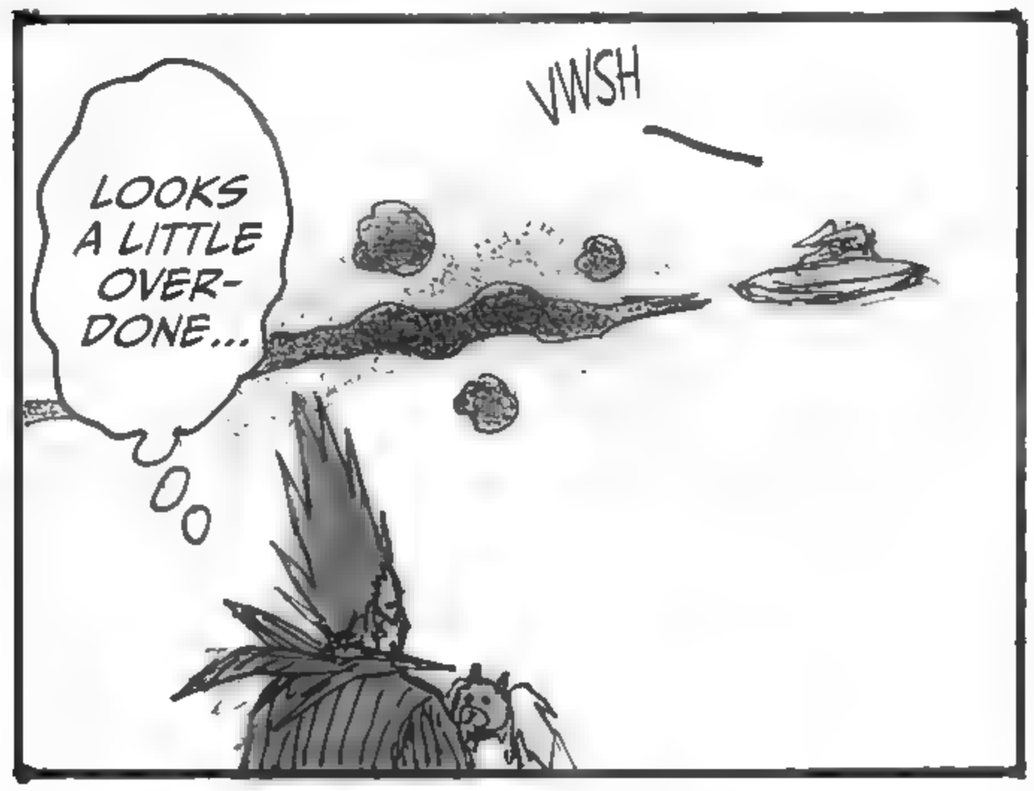
LET'S BEGIN!

YOU?! NO WAY.

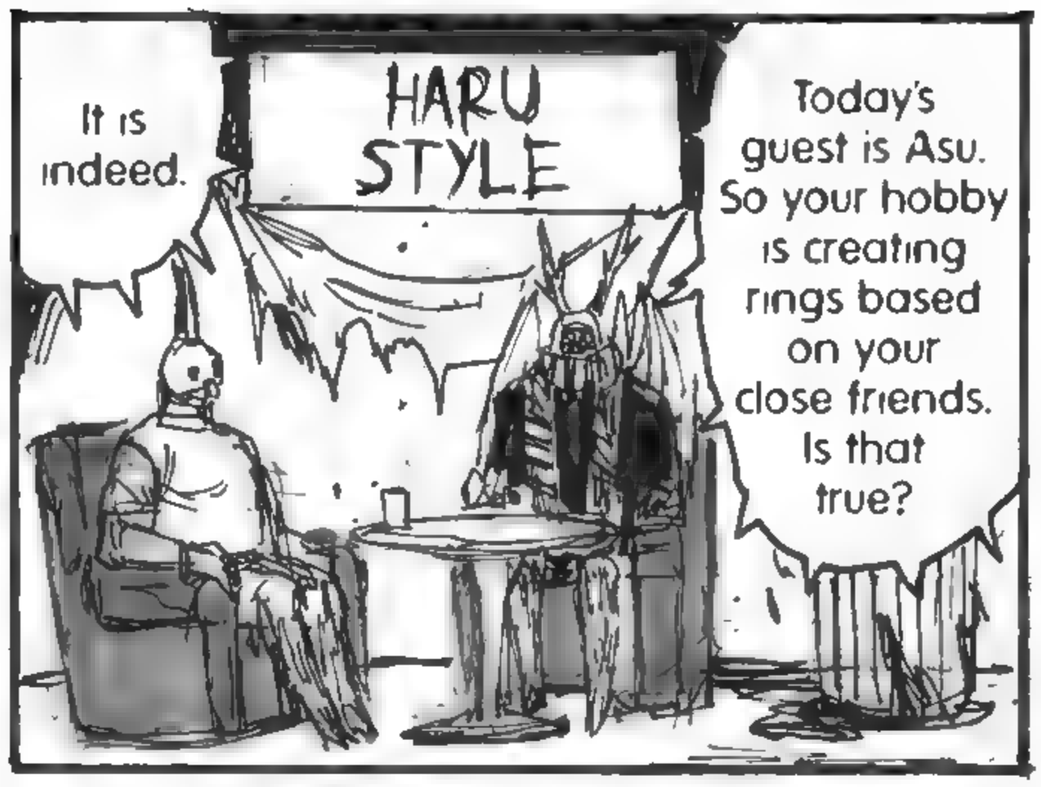
I'M THINKING TO BE-COME A DEVIL MYSELF TOO.

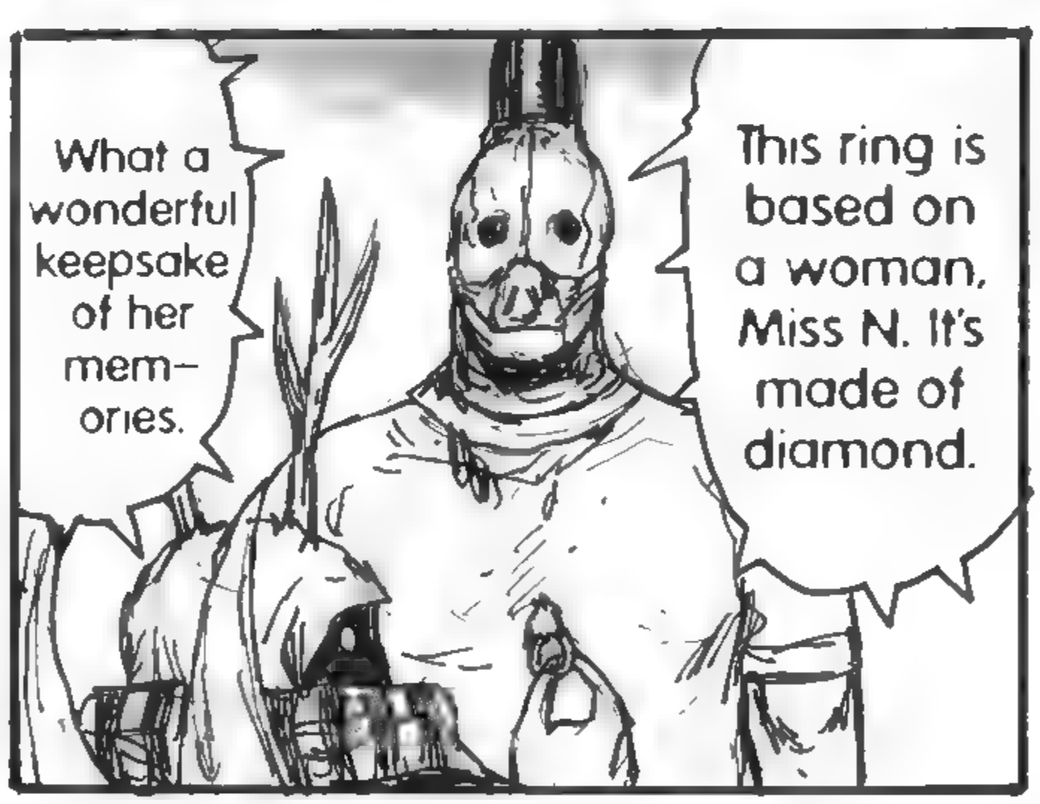
CHIDARUMA'S CHANNEL





HARU'S HOBBY CHANNEL

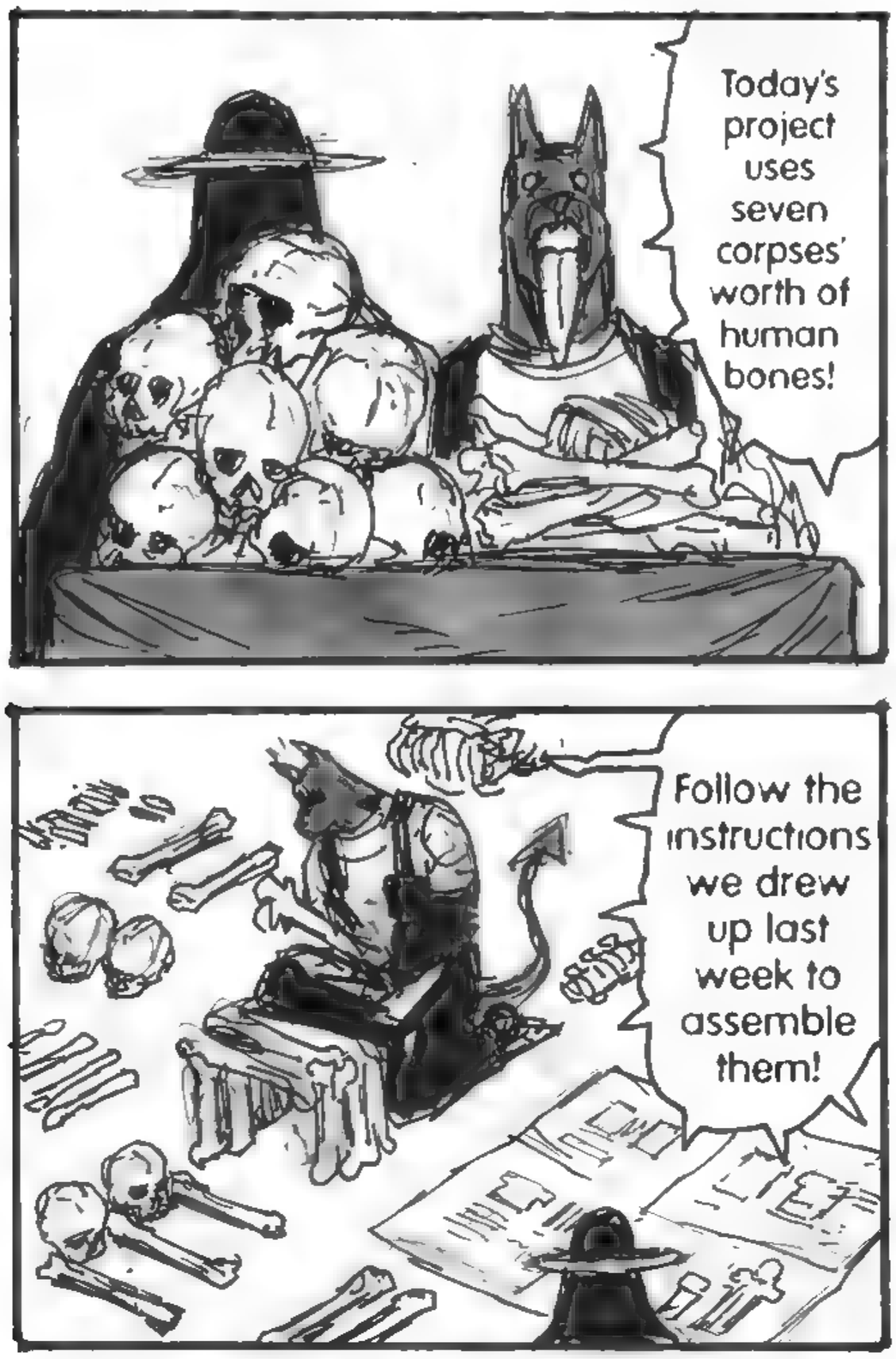




STORE CHANNEL

DEVILS' FAN CLUB CHANNEL

HOBBY CHANNEL: GURA GURA


Today's project uses seven corpses' worth of human bones!
Follow the instructions we drew up last week to assemble them!
How won-der-ful!
Ta-da! An arm-chair!
And why not use the leftover bones for a foot-rest?
WOOF!
Perfect for any room.

SOAP OPERA CHANNEL

I love you, president Chida-ruma!
Why?! Tell me!
Well, sorry. I don't love you.
Because I was just toying with ya.
God-damn right.
You're terri-ble!

DIRECTED AND SCRIPTED BY CHIDARUMA

CHIDARUMA CHANNEL 2

HOBBY CHANNEL: HANDSOME DEVIL

SPEK SPEK
A little cerulean blue right here.
SHFF
Then a light wash of brown.
Now points of crim-son red.
PA PA PAT
Urghh
Aaah
Urghaa
That's how you paint zombie blood veins. Make sure to study the real thing up close, too!

THE FEELING GREAT CHANNEL

I feel great!

No sick-ness! No in-juries!

Me too.

Me too.

So do I!

Even if I eat rotten food, I feel great.

No prob-lem.

Say "Ah!"

I feel so great!

The great-est!

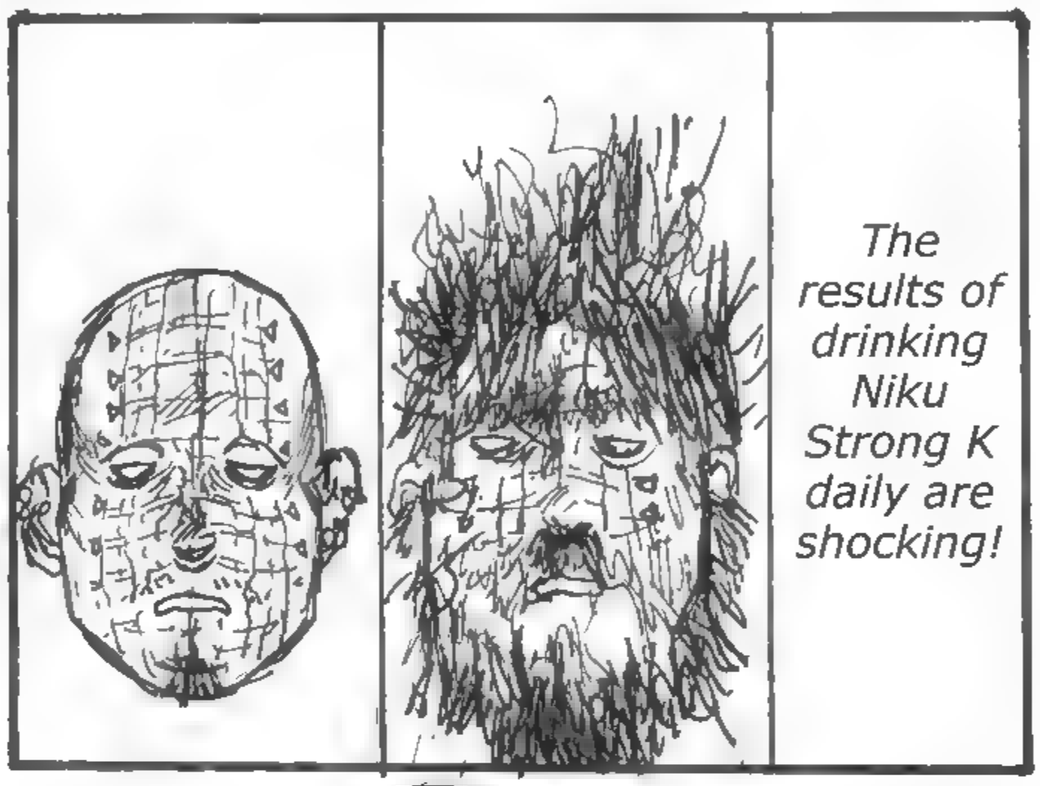
So great.

Feeling great.

HOME SHOPPING

Try "Niku Strong K!"

Troubled by hair loss?



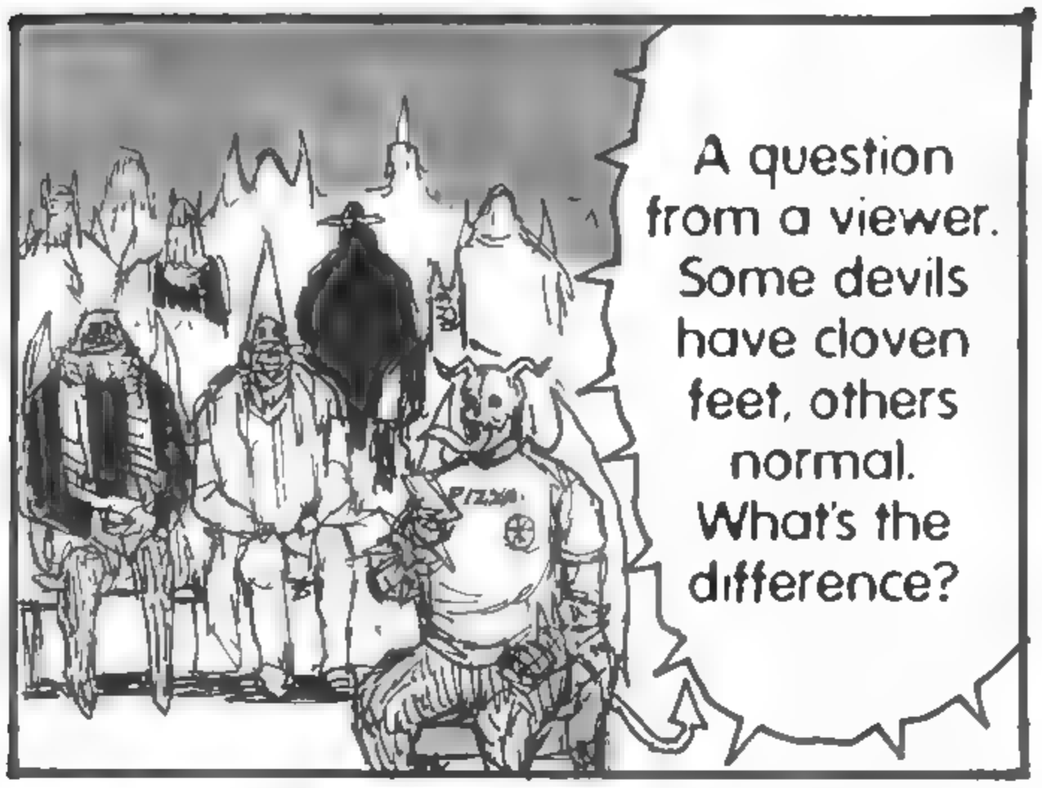
NAAAH!

Niku Strong K is made of real devil meat, provided by the Store!

Warning:

May cause uncon-trollable lower body hair growth.

DEVILS' FAN CLUB CHANNEL



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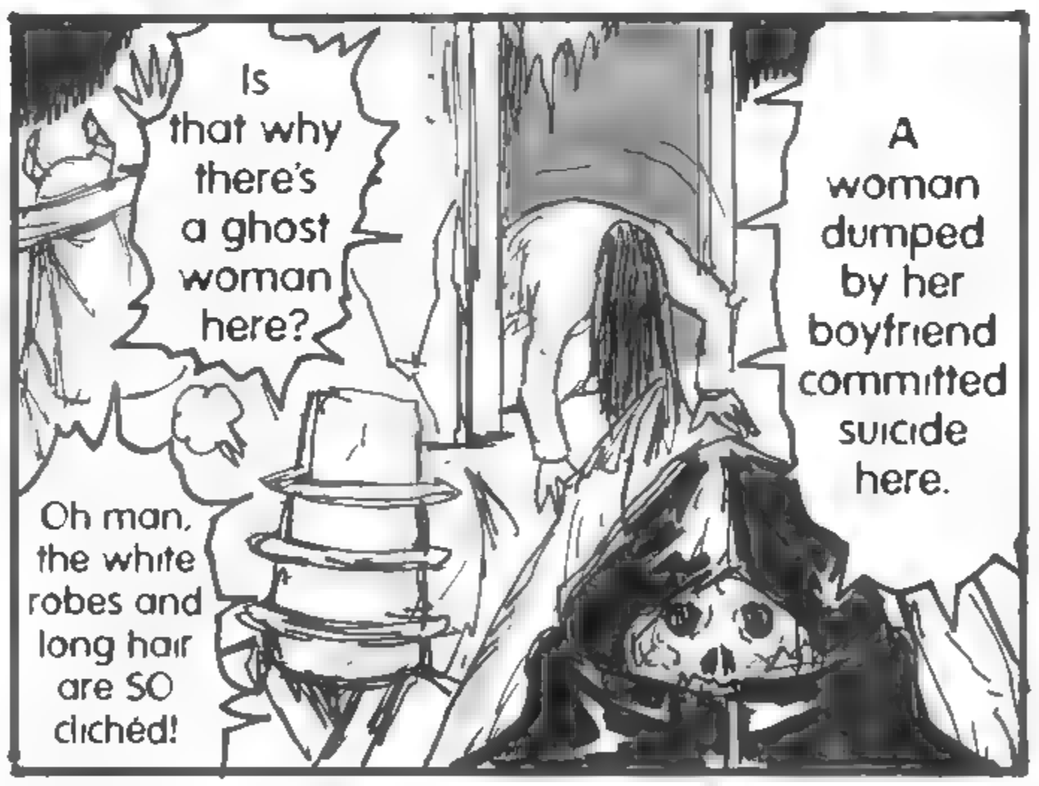
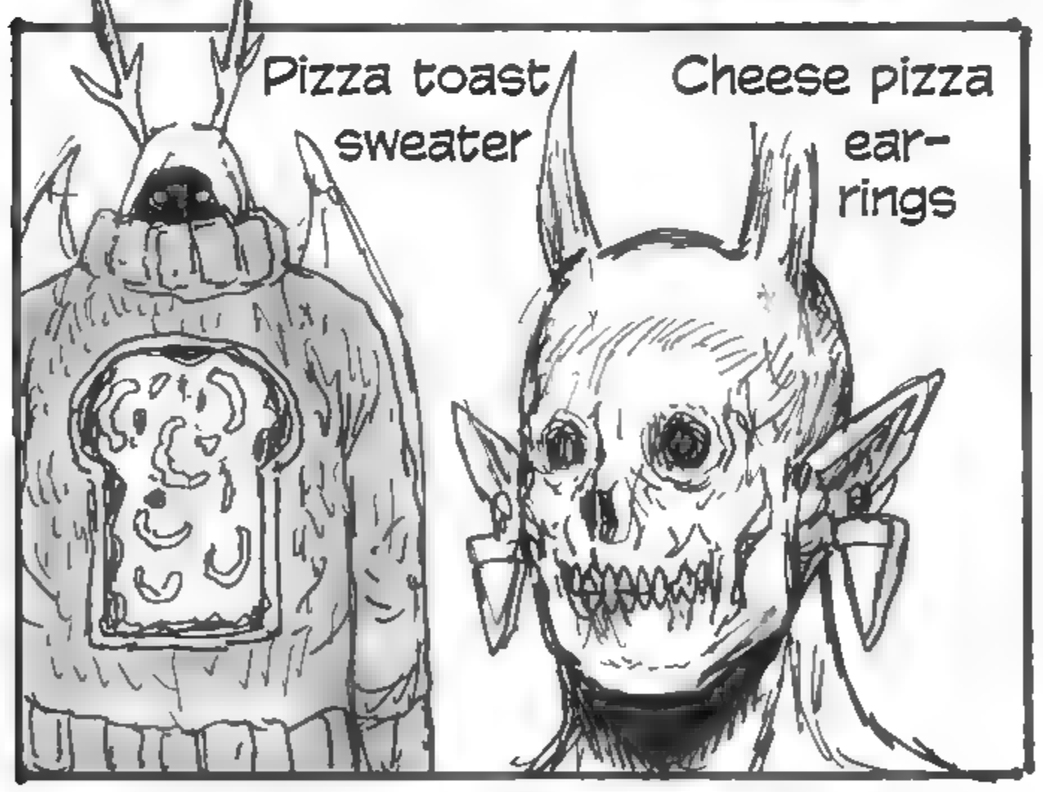
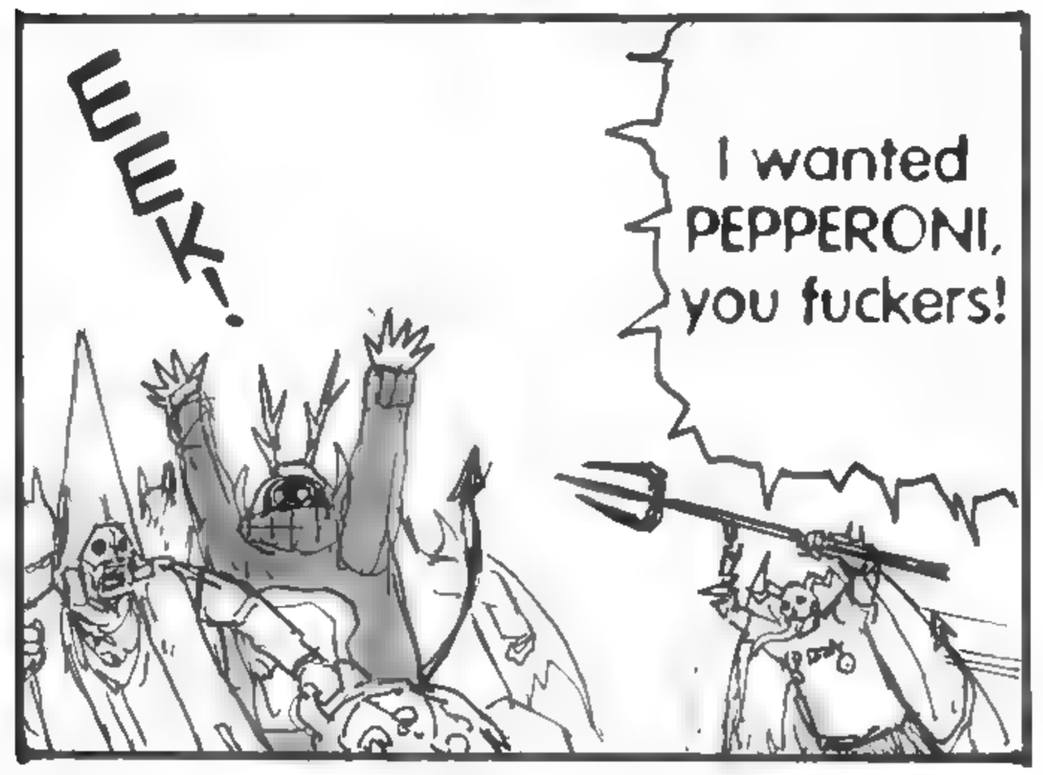

Is that why there's a ghost woman here?
A woman dumped by her boyfriend committed suicide here.
Oh man, the white robes and long hair are SO clichéd!

CHIDARUMA CHANNEL





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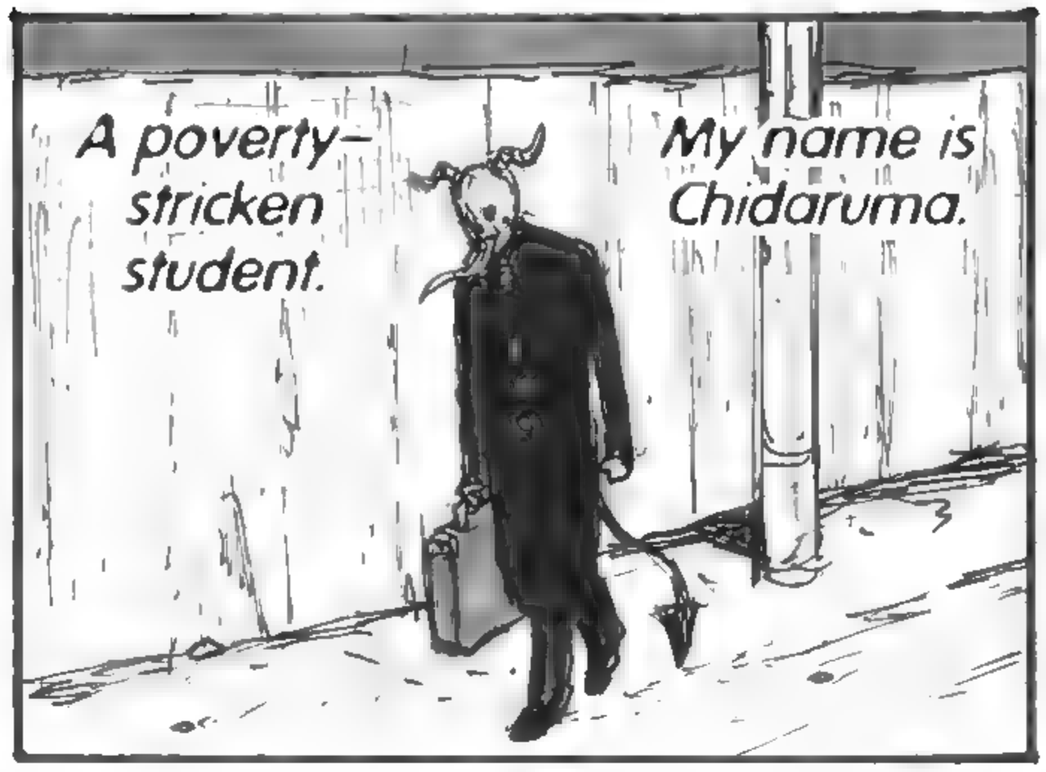

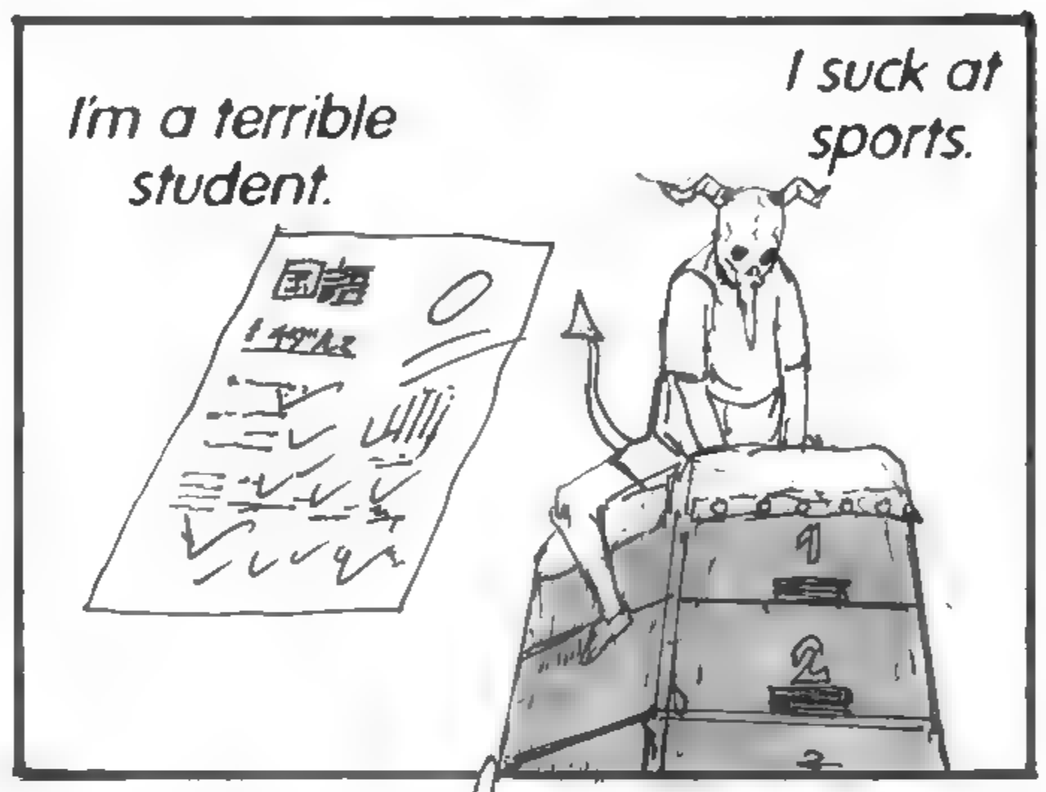

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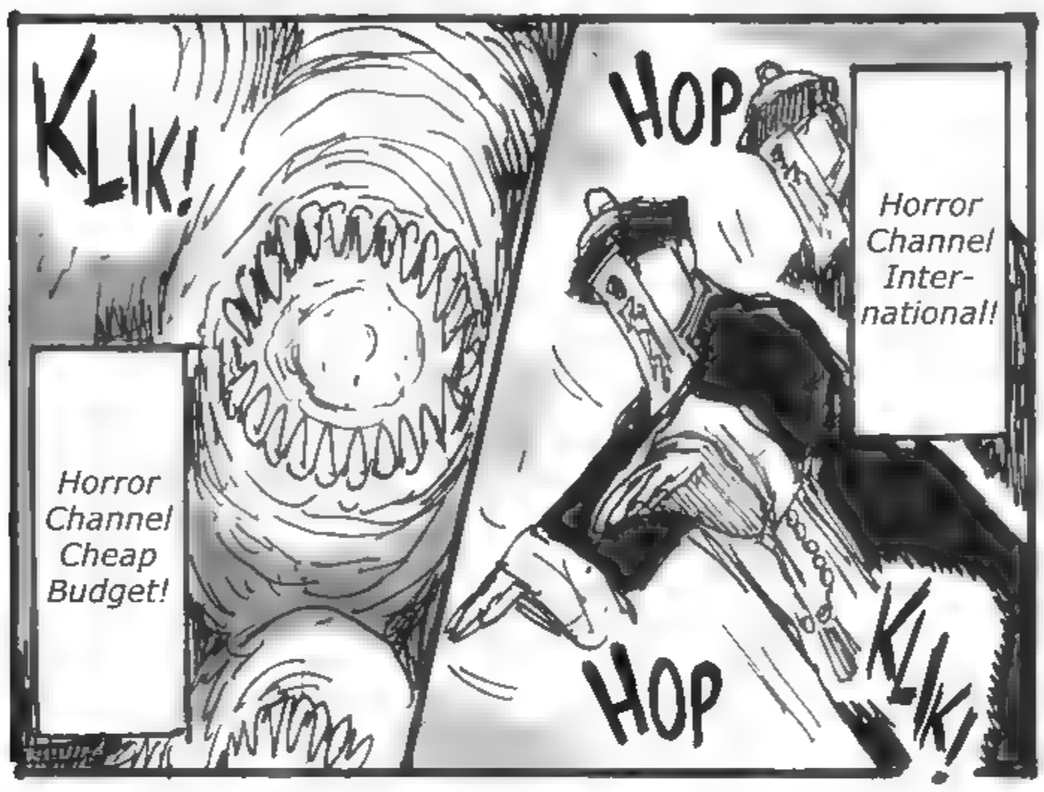

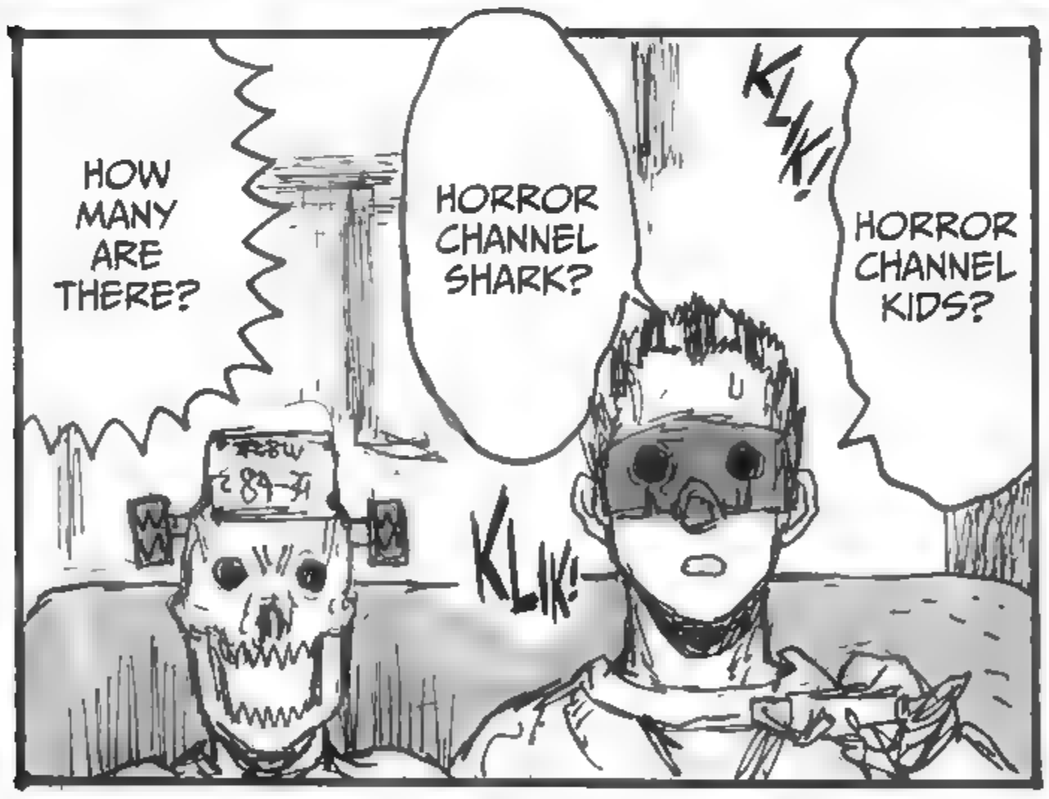

I'M GOING TO BED.
Horror Channel Ghost, Horror
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Wolf, Horror Channel Alien, Hor
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Channel Bugs, Hor el Snow,
Horror Channel I untrysi
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❶WHAT WE LEARNED: 1)THE HOBBY CHANNELS ARE WELL DONE! 2) THE STORE CARRIES WILD ANIMALS. 3) CHIDARUMA IS CHIDARUMA.

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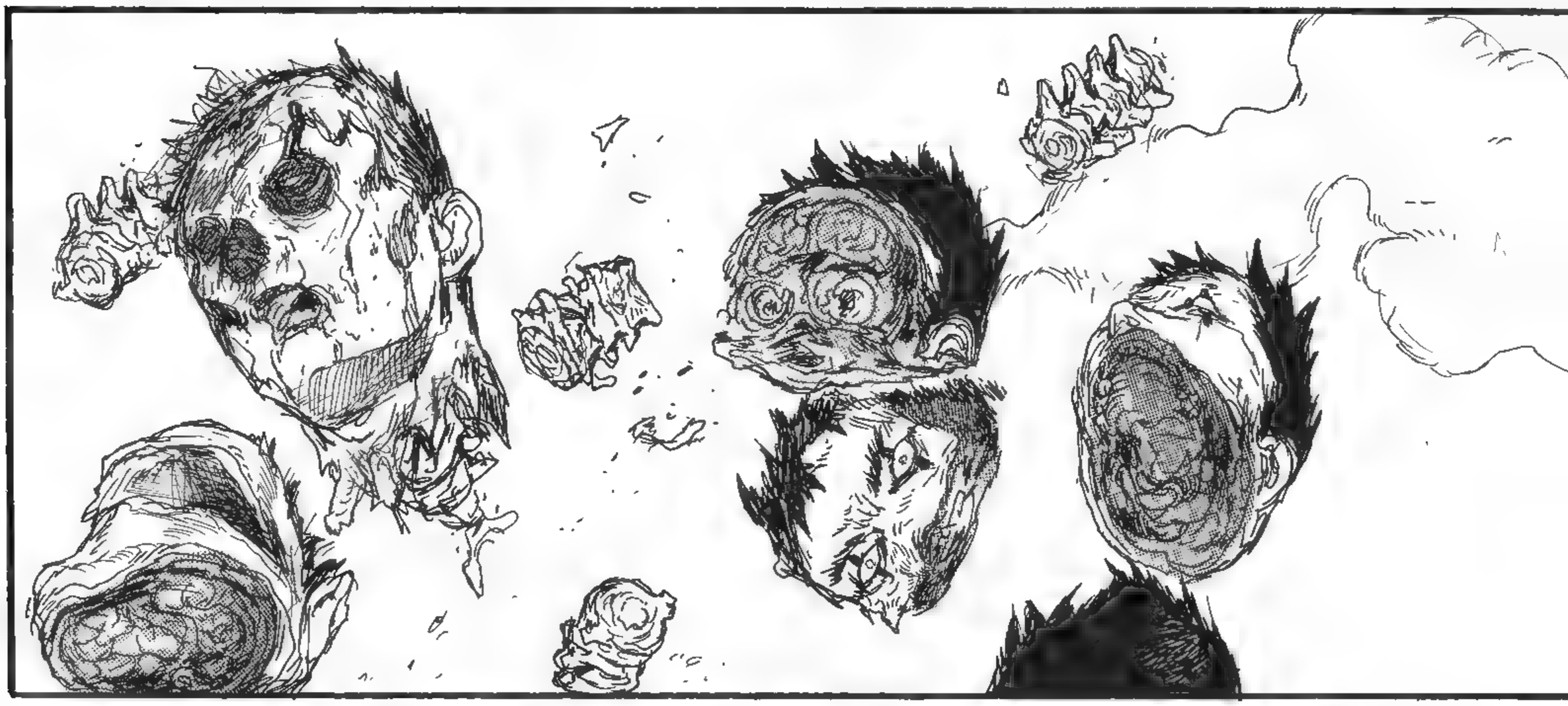

AIKA-
WA

BRMP

!

BRM

KRRK

KRRK

KRRK

BLUP

FRMP

TOOK LONG ENOUGH!

YUCK.

PSH HH HH

THIS IS GROSS.

NGH...

BODY'S ALMOST BACK TO NORMAL... BETTER FIND SOME CLOTHES.

B-Lup

SO WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN NOW?

LOOKS THAT WAY.

IS IT DONE? IS *HE* DEAD?

GET OFF ME, CHOTA!

WHEN I HEARD YOU DIED, I, I...

EN!!!

EN! I'M SO HAPPY!

UMPH!

GLOMP

I THOUGHT I KILLED THAT FUCKING LIZARD.

WHY IS HE ALIVE?

I don't know.

BUT WHO? AND WHY?

Looks like someone resurrected him from his pickled head.

IS THIS CAIMAN? HOW'S THAT POS-SIBLE?

CAN YOU GO BACK TO NORMAL?

YOUR DEVIL TRANS-FORMATION REALLY PRO-GRESSED.

YEAH, THAT FIG-URES.

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TWO BLABBERING ABOUT? I DON'T KNOW ANY "NIKAIDO!"

HE GATHERS SORCERERS HERE IN THIS ROOM...

I FIGURED IT OUT WHEN *HE* HAD CONTROL OF ME.

ANYWAY, WHERE ARE WE? I DON'T LIKE IT.

...WHAT HIS END-GAME IS.

I DON'T KNOW...

GATHERS? WHY?

SHO...? AH, RIGHT. SHO...

I THINK?

SHO'S HEAD. DON'T FOR-GET IT...

WHAT'S THAT YOU'VE BEEN CAR-RYING?

THEY'RE RESIL-IENT!

KAIKO!

A FUCKIN' CROSS-EYE STILL ALIVE!

HAHH.

HAHH.

WAIT!

GUESS I'D BETTER FINISH THE JOB AND WIPE THEM OUT.

SWAY

SWAY

LOCK HER UP SOME-WHERE UNTIL NEXT BLUE NIGHT.

PLUS, I NEED TO TAKE NIKAIDO. SHE'S MY MOST IMPORTANT PARTNER.

IT'S STILL RAINING IN OUR WORLD. THERE'S NOWHERE TO GO.

I GOT A BAD FEELING ...

WE SHOULD FOCUS ON GETTING OUT OF HERE FIRST.

SHE'S GOING DEVIL, I THINK.

OF COURSE.

YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT? THAT BITCH IS IMPOR-TANT?

I CANT EVEN EXPAIN WHAT I SAW HERE.

Risu... Aikawa... Is the Cross-Eye boss dead?

WHA ?

SMEK

Then I'll make ya show me!

BZZZAP—P

I can use my devil power to sense your thoughts, what you saw!

Ah, I see! Now to share it with every-one...

WHAT'S "DEVIL POWER"?

SHE'S REALLY TURNING DEVIL.

BZZZAP—

THE HELL ARE THEY DOING?

WHAT THE—

SMEK

HUH.

BY THAT HOLE MONSTER THING... I HAVE LOTS OF HEADS?

AND I WAS A HUMAN CALLED AI COLEMAN... AND I KEEP GETTIN' BROUGHT BACK TO LIFE?

THAT'S AT THE ROOT OF ALL OF THIS.

SO THIS THING CALLED "HOLE" WAS MADE OF THE GRUDGE OF HUMANS AGAINST SORCERERS.

BEATS US!

SO... WHO *AM* I NOW?

Yuck!

It has to be in there!

Oh yeah! Where's my magic box?

He took it from me, and then...

THE OTHERS SHATTERED. BUT NOT THIS ONE.

THIS BOX SEEMS DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHERS.

MAYBE IT CAN'T BE BROKEN?

IS IT ALL OVER?

AIKA-WA...

I'M SORRY ...

I WAS ONLY ANOTHER ONE OF HIS TOOLS.

AIKAWA!

RISU ...

"DUTY?"

MY DUTY IS DONE.

ONCE THESE BOXES, THE SYMBOLS OF MY LIFE, ARE ALL BROKEN, IT WILL BEGIN.

HUH?

MY DUTY WAS GATHERING THE MOST POWERFUL SORCERERS IN ONE SPOT.

HA, HA, HA!

HA, HA, HA, HA!

GRD

HA, HA, HA!

WHY'D YOU BRING US HERE?! WHAT DO YOU WANT?!

DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOU ARE?

YOU CANNOT ESCAPE.

THE CROSS MARKS ARE COMING BACK ...!

WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? BEHEADING THE LAST ONE DIDN'T END THIS SHIT?!

HE DOESN'T NEED ME AS ITS VESSAL!

KRAK

ALL IS READY.

FUCK YOU!

YOU'RE ALL DEAD.

GNOSH

THU MP

BLURP

SHIT.

HM ?!

SOME-
THING IS
HAPPENING!
YOU ALL
MUST GET...

GA BO OM

EEEEEK!

NNNG!

URGH!

IT... EX- PLODED AGAIN.

ASHIDA

WHOA ?

WAAH!

FLESH

AAAA

WHY'D THE STORE KNIFE GET SO HEAVY ALL OF A SUD-DEN?

WHO

THUD

OUCH!

YOU'RE FREE, RISU.

YOUR CURSE IS LIFTED.

WHAT HAP-PENED?

RIGHT?

WON'T BUDGE ...!

GRRR

What's up?

YOU'RE A NOBODY AGAIN!

I CAN'T EVEN SPEW SMOKE ANY-MORE?!

ZOOO

I CAN'T TURN INTO CURSE!

Heh heh heh!

A FREE MAN?!

ZAK

!!

I can see!

FWSK

IT'S PITCH DARK AGAIN! CAREFUL, NIKAIDO!

THE LIGHTS!

I CAN'T SEE SHIT!

WE CAN'T STAY!!

EN! WE'VE GOTTA GET OUT OF HERE!

I RE-MEM-BER.

THIS PLACE IS...

ZZOOP

WHAT THE HELL?

HUH?

Some-
thing is
beginning
...

OUCH, OUCH!

OW! MY FEET!

OUCH!

SPLUP

COME CLOSER, EVERY-ONE.

I'LL TRY TO DO SOME-THING WITH MY MAGIC!

IT'S LIKE ACID!

IT BURNS!

FUCK! WHAT IS THIS LIQUID?!

IT HURTS!

GWAAH!

OH MAN, MY FEET!

Save your-self.

CHIDA-RUMA! SAVE US!

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?!

CHIDARUMA!

WE'RE INSIDE SOME KINDA CREA-TURE ...!

AAAH!

OH SHIT!

BOSS! WHERE ARE YOU?

WAAH!

GUYS!

GYAAAH!

SHIT

NI-KAI-DO!

Cai-man!

Risu
...

Asu
...

HM?

Pop

WHAT THE...? A FLYING HOUSE?

SOME-THING'S COMING UP FROM THE LAKE.

HEY, DOC! LOOK!

WHAT THE FUCK?

WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THE HUMANS?

I CAN'T CON-TROL MY BODY!

WHY AM I DOING THIS?

He's finally here.

Guess I won the bet.

Basi-cally, he gave birth to him-self.

He sacrificed many sorcerers and escaped Ai Coleman's body.

What's the rush? Let's see their dead bodies.

Those guys were eaten alive. They have to be dead by now.

Hold on, Chidaruma. We don't know the sorcerers lost completely!

UNGH!

I'm done with you all.

Shut up.

WSH

Freeze!

What ?!

STIK

Whoa!

DEMONS

Chida-ruma!

VWM

M

All right, House! Change the decorations to how I like.

BOP

I have a guest.

Love it!

NANANANA!

KEH

EHH

WHOMP

NANANA!

Uh oh!

SPLORSH

DEN

ZOPP ZOPP

OOO... AAAH...

Haze ...

ZPP ZPP

Nng ...

Nngh ...

SPLATTER

AAAA ...

OOO ...

SKAG

DEMON

BIP
BIP
BIP
BIP
BIP
BIP
BIP
BIP

I've been waiting for you for a very long time.